

25-2110. Candidate for office elected at large; filing of petition or statement of candidacy; fee; elections conducted by county election officer; nomination petitions. (a) In cities of the first and second class, any person desiring to become a candidate for a city office elected at large shall file with the city clerk before the filing deadline a statement of such candidacy on a form furnished by the county election officer as specified by the secretary of state. The city clerk of any city upon receiving any filing under this section shall record the same and transmit it, together with the filing fee or petition herein provided, within three business days to the county election officer. In cities of the third class, any person desiring to become a candidate for city office elected at large shall file with the county election officer of the county in which the city is located, or of the county in which the greater population of the city is located if the city extends into more than one county, or the city clerk, before the filing deadline a statement of candidacy on a form furnished by the county election officer as specified by the secretary of state.

(b) In cities having a population of less than 5,000, each such filing shall be accompanied by a filing fee of \$5 or, in lieu of such filing fee, by a petition signed by 25 qualified electors of the city or by a number of such qualified electors of the city equal to not less than 10% of the ballots cast at the last general city election, whichever is less.

(c) In cities having a population of not less than 5,000 nor more than 100,000, each such filing shall be accompanied by a filing fee of \$10 or, in lieu of such filing fee, by a petition signed by 50 qualified electors of the city or by a number of such qualified electors of the city equal to not less than 1% of the ballots cast and counted at the last general city election, whichever is less.

(d) In cities having a population of more than 100,000, each such filing shall be accompanied by a filing fee of \$50; or, in lieu of such filing fee, by a petition signed by 100 qualified electors of the city or by a number of qualified electors of the city equal to 1% of the ballots cast at the last general city election, whichever is less.

(e) Within three days from the date of the filing of a nomination petition or a declaration of intention to become a candidate for a city office elected at large, the county election officer shall determine the validity of such petition or declaration.

(f) If a nomination petition or declaration is found to be invalid, the county election officer shall notify the candidate on whose behalf the petition or declaration was filed that such nomination petition or declaration has been found to be invalid and the reason for the finding. Such candidate may make objection to the finding of invalidity by the county election officer in accordance with K.S.A. 25-308, and amendments thereto.

(g) All city elections shall be conducted by the county election officer of the county in which such city is located, or of the county in which the greater population of the city is located if the city extends into more than one county.

History: L. 1968, ch. 274, § 10; L. 1969, ch. 192, § 1; L. 1972, ch. 139, § 1; L. 1975, ch. 212, § 1; L. 1977, ch. 137, § 1; L. 1984, ch. 142, § 1; L. 2002, ch. 146, § 2; July 1.