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Alabama	7	zero	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3-13	2	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	334-242-7210
Alaska	1	zero	Notice by 6-1	2,588	Zero\$	Open	8-28	1	Yes	Yes, by 10-30	10-30	866-952-8683
Arizona	9	1	No notice	2200 to 4700	Zero\$	4-30	5-30	2	Yes	File by 9-29	9-29	(602) 542-8683
Arkansas	4	zero	Form by 3-1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3	NO	Form by 3-1	3-1	800-482-1127
California	53	1	Form by 2-9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3	NO	Due to "Top Two" Proposition	00-0	916-657-2166
Colorado	7	zero	Validate Petition Form	800	Zero\$	4-9	6-4	1/2	Yes	File by 7-19	7-19	303-894-2200
Connecticut	5	1	No notice	7,500	Zero\$	Open	8-8	1	Yes	Forms by 10-27	10-27	860-509-6100
Delaware	1	1	Yes, by 9-14	6,078	Zero\$	Open	7-15	1	Yes	File by 10-1	10-1	302-739-2477
Dist Columbia	0	0	No form if cand picks-up; 6-15	4,600	Zero\$	6-15	8-8	1	Yes	File by 10-15	10-15	(202) 727-2525 (opt/7)

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Florida	27	1	Notice to SOS 6-8	2,298 or fee	No petition if fee \$6,960. paid by June 8!	Open	To County by 5-7; final by 6-8	2/3/4	Yes	Verify Write-In Notice to SOS by 6-8	6-8	850-245-6247
Georgia	14	zero	Dec of Cand 5-23 to 5-25; Notice of Cand 7-30 to 8-3	16,000 to 19,000	\$5,220.	Can begin petition after 2-15	Last day to submit petition 8-6.	2/3	Yes	Filings and publish notice from 1-1 to 9-4	9-4	404-656-2871
Hawaii	2	1	Ltr to obtain petition forms	25	\$75.	2-1	6-5	1/3	NO	n/a	00-0	808- 453-8683
Idaho	2	zero	Form by 3-9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2	Yes	Declaration Form by Oct 1st.	10-1	208-334-2852
Illinois	18	zero	No notice	5,000	Zero\$	Open	6-25	1/2	Yes	Local Notifications by 9-1	9-1	217-782-4141
Indiana	9	1	Yes, submit with petitions	@4,000	Zero\$	Open	6-30	1/2/3	Yes	Form by 7-3	7-3	317-232-6531; 2-step process with petitions due 6-30 and 2nd delivery by 7-16.
Iowa	4	zero	No notice	300	Zero\$	7-3	8-17	1	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	515-281-5204
Kansas	4	zero	No notice	5,000	\$20.	Open	8-6	1	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	785-296-4561 x-18849

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Kentucky	6	zero	Form by 4-1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2	Yes	File by 10-26; \$50.	10-26	502-564-3490
Louisiana	6	zero	Notify when petition starts	1,000	\$600. fee, only option	Open	8-8	1/3	NO	n/a	00-0	800-883-2805; Louisiana has a Fee Only option besides the Petition approach; \$600 for US Rep.
Maine	2	1	6-1	2000	Zero\$	Open	6-1	2	Yes	Form by 9-15	9-15	207-624-7736
Maryland	8	1	Yes, due 6-29	@5,000	\$100.	tbd	8-6	1	Yes	File by 9-30 for 'Early' voting!	9-30	State Board of Elections; 410-269-2850, SBE 2840
Massachusetts	9	1	Local prep & forms by 7-31	2000	Zero\$	7-31	8-28	1	Yes	Soft notice names by 10-6	10-6	SOCOMM 617-727-2828
Michigan	14	1	No notice	3000	Zero\$	Open	7-19	1	Yes	File by 10-19	10-19	517-373-2540
Minnesota	8	1	No notice	1000	\$300.	5-22	6-5	2	Yes	File by 10-27	10-27	651-215-1440
Mississippi	4	1	Intent Form by 1-13	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3	Yes, but are <u>not</u> counted.	n/a	00-0	601-576-2550; 601-359-6349
Missouri	8	1	No notice	Max 10,000	Zero\$	Open	7-30	1	Yes	File by 10-25	10-25	573-751-2301
Montana	1	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3-5	2	Yes	File by 9-28	9-28	406-444-5346
Nebraska	3	1	Validate Petition Form	2,000	\$1,740.	Open	9-4	1	Yes	Forms by 10-15	10-15	402-471-2555

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Nevada	4	1	2-9	n/a	n/a	n/a	2-9	3	NO	n/a	00-0	775-684-5705; 293-270-3155; Nevada has a caucus format for Dems and Repubs, only.
New Hampshire	2	zero	Forms by 6-15	1,500	\$50. + \$50.	Open	8-8	1/2	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	603-271-3242
New Jersey	12	1	Yes, 4-2	n/a	n/a	n/a	4-2	2	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	609-292-3760;
New Mexico	3	1	No notice	77	tbd	3-1	6-26	1/2	Yes	File by 6-26	6-26	505-827-3600
New York	27	1	No notice	3,500	tbd	7-10	8-21	1	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	518-474-1953;
North Carolina	13	zero	Request to SOS by 6-15	18,000	\$1,740.	Step 1 by 6-15	Step 2 by 6-29	2	Yes	File with petition by 8-8; 250 sigs	8-8	919-733-7173; 2-step process with petitions due 6-15 and 2nd delivery by 6-29.
North Dakota	1	1	No notice	1000	tbd	4-10	9-7	1	Yes	*EARLY* File by 5-20	5-20	701-328-4146
Ohio	16	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3-5	2	Yes	File by 8-27	8-27	614-466-2655
Oklahoma	5	zero	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	4-13	3	NO	n/a	00-0	405-521-2391

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Oregon	5	zero	Validate the petition; detailed.	@4,000	tbd	Step 1 by 8-1	Step 2 by 8-28	1	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	503-896-1518; 2-step process; petition signatures must be validated prior to the FINAL deadline of 8-28. Allow a few weeks for local validation.
Pennsylvania	18	1	No notice	1,000	\$150.	2-15	8-1	1	Yes	Soft notice names to 57 counties by 10-6	10-6	717-787-5280
Rhode Island	2	1	Must file 2-25 to 2-27	n/a	n/a	n/a	7-13	2	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	401-222-2340
South Carolina	7	zero	No notice	Less than 10,000	tbd	Open	7-16	1	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	803-734-9070
South Dakota	1	zero	No notice	3,171	Zero\$	Open	6-5	1/3	NO	n/a	00-0	605-773-3537
Tennessee	9	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	4-5	2	Yes	File by 9-15	9-15	615-741-7956
Texas	36	1	Form by 3-9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2; with ridiculous\$ Write-In Fee!	Yes	Forms 7-21 to 8-20; Senate \$5,000; USRep \$500 each!	8-20	The Republican Party straights again to discourage competiton. This time with a terribly high Fee for a Ballot Write-In; 512-463-5650
Utah	4	1	Form by 3-15;	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	Dec of Candidacy filing was 3-15; WRITE-IN still possible; 512-463-5650

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Vermont	1	1	Yes, submit with Petition	500	Zero\$	5-14	6-14	1/2	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	802-828-2304
Virginia	11	1	No notice	Min 1,000 from each USD; 1500 to 1700 to be safe.	Zero\$	Open	6-12	1/2	Yes	Forms by 10-1	10-1	SBE 804-864-8901; (800)-552-9745
Washington	10	1	last cand filing 5-18 and 7-28.	1,740 min	\$1,740 fee only option!	5-14	5-18	2/4	Yes	Verify forms and date of 8-15	8-15	360-902-4180; 800-448-4881
West Virginia	3	1	Forms with Petition	@1,900	Also pay \$1,740 fee.	Open	8-1	1	Yes	File by 9-25	9-25	304-558-6000
Wisconsin	8	1	No notice	1,000	Zero\$	4-15	6-1	1/2	Yes	File by 8-7	8-7	608-261-2028; Main 8005
Wyoming	1	1	Yes, no deadline	3,740	\$200.	Open	8-27	1	Yes	No form, simple Write-In	11-6	307-777-5860