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party representative; resident; violation.

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CHAPTER 388

SENATE BILL 1835

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 16-590 AND 16-1004, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING
TO ELECTIONS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 16-590, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 16-590. Appointment of challengers and party representatives

5 A. The county chairman of each party may, for each precinct, by
6 written appointment addressed to the election board, designate a party
7 agent or representative and alternates for a polling place in the precinct
8 who may act as challengers for the party which appointed him.

9 B. At each voting place, one challenger for each political party
10 may be present and act, but no challenger may enter a voting booth except
11 to mark his ballot.

12 C. Not more than the number of party representatives for each party
13 which were mutually agreed upon by each political party represented on the
14 ballot shall be in the polling place at one time. If such agreement
15 cannot be reached, the number of representatives shall be limited to one
16 in the polling place at one time for each political party.

17 D. A CHALLENGER OR PARTY REPRESENTATIVE SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF THIS
18 STATE AND REGISTERED TO VOTE IN THIS STATE.

19 Sec. 2. Section 16-1004, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
20 read:

21 16-1004. Interference with or corruption of election officer;
22 interference with voting equipment; classification

23 A. A person who at any election knowingly interferes in any manner
24 with an officer of such election in the discharge of the officer's duty,
25 or who induces an officer of an election or officer whose duty it is to
26 ascertain, announce or declare the result of such election, to violate or
27 refuse to comply with the officer's duty or any law regulating the
28 election, is guilty of a class 5 felony.

29 B. A person who knowingly modifies the software, hardware or source
30 code for voting equipment without receiving approval or certification
31 pursuant to section 16-442 is guilty of a class 5 felony.

32 C. A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY IMPERSONATES ANY ELECTION OFFICIAL,
33 INCLUDING AN ELECTION BOARD MEMBER OR OTHER POLL WORKER OR A CHALLENGER OR
34 PARTY REPRESENTATIVE DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 16-590, IS GUILTY OF A
35 CLASS 6 FELONY.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR JUNE 29, 2021.

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