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HB2308: secretary of state; election; recusal Sponsor: Representative Jones, LD 17
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Overview

Prohibits the Secretary of State from performing any duties concerning portions of an election in which the Secretary of State is a candidate.

<u>History</u>

An Assistant Secretary of State must be appointed to perform official duties in the Secretary of State's absence or when the Secretary of State is acting as Governor (A.R.S. § 41-122).

Public Officers and certain public employees must recuse themselves in specified circumstances. Any Public Officer or employee who has a substantial interest in any decision of a public agency must refrain from participating as an officer or employee in such decision. Public Officer is defined as all elected and appointed officers of a public agency established by charter, ordinance, resolution, state constitution or statute (A.R.S. §§ 38-502, 38-503).

Provisions

- 1. Restricts the Secretary of State from taking any actions that pertain to an election for which they are a candidate. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Instructs the Secretary of State to publicly announce the person who will perform duties concerning portions of an election in which the Secretary of State is recused. (Sec. 1)

☐ Prop 105 (45 votes)	☐ Prop 108 (40 votes)	☐ Emergency (40 votes)	☐ Fiscal Note	