

REFERENCE TITLE: precinct committeemen; vacancy; application

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## **SB 1825**

Introduced by  
Senator Farnsworth

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 16-821, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO POLITICAL PARTIES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 16-821, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 16-821. County committee; vacancy in office of precinct  
5 committeeman

6 A. At the primary election the members of a political party WHO ARE  
7 entitled to representation pursuant to section 16-804 ~~residing~~ AND WHO  
8 RESIDE in each precinct shall choose one of their number as a county  
9 precinct committeeman, and the members shall choose one additional  
10 precinct committeeman for each one hundred twenty-five voters or major  
11 fraction thereof WHO ARE registered in the party in the precinct as  
12 reported pursuant to section 16-168, subsection ~~H~~ H on January 2 of the  
13 year in which the general election is held. The whole number of precinct  
14 committeemen of a political party shall constitute the county committee of  
15 the party.

16 B. The board of supervisors ~~upon~~ ON the recommendation of the  
17 county chairman, or the recommendation of a committee designated in the  
18 bylaws of the county committee for that purpose, shall determine when a  
19 vacancy exists in the office of precinct committeeman. If a vacancy  
20 exists, the vacancy shall be filled by the board of supervisors from a  
21 list of names submitted by the ~~county~~ LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT chairman FOR A  
22 DISTRICT THAT IS ORGANIZED PURSUANT TO SECTION 16-823, OR BY THE COUNTY  
23 CHAIRMAN, IN ALL OTHER CASES, of the appropriate political party WITHIN  
24 FIVE DAYS AFTER THE DATE ON WHICH THE LIST OF NAMES IS SUBMITTED TO THE  
25 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. A PERSON WHO WISHES TO FILL THE PRECINCT  
26 COMMITTEEMAN VACANCY SHALL SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE CHAIRMAN WHO IS  
27 AUTHORIZED TO SUBMIT THE LIST OF NAMES FOR THAT VACANCY. Only a precinct  
28 committeeman WHO IS elected at the primary election ~~prior to~~ BEFORE the  
29 date of a state or county committee organizing meeting shall be ~~permitted~~  
30 ALLOWED to vote at ~~such~~ THE meeting. The criteria used to establish when  
31 a vacancy exists in the office of precinct committeeman shall be as  
32 established in section 38-291.