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TITLE 410 - BOARD OF ELECTIONS

CHAPTER 20 - ELECTIONS

SUBCHAPTER 00 - N/A

PART 5 - Declaration of Candidacy - Multiple Declarations

5.1

- A. The Rhode Island Board of Elections hereby adopts this Part relating to declarations of candidacy pursuant to and in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § [17-14-1](#) *et seq.*, as amended.
- B. Said rules and regulations are proposed pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act (R.I. Gen. Laws Chapter [42-35](#) *et seq.*) and are available for public inspection at the offices of the Rhode Island Board of Elections, 50 Branch Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island

5.2 Purpose

The within Part is proposed by the Board of Elections in order to clarify the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws § [17-14-1](#) *et seq.*

5.3 Definitions

"Declaration of candidacy" means the procedures set forth in R.I. Gen. Laws § [17-14-1](#) *et seq.*

5.4 Multiple Declarations of Candidacy

- A. Each person filing a declaration for either a state or local office shall be eligible to declare for no more than one state or local office pursuant R.I. Gen. Laws § [17-14-1](#) *et seq.* If a voter files a declaration of candidacy for more than one state or local office during the declaration period, the last declaration filed shall negate any previous filings.
- B. Declaration papers prepared by the Secretary of State's Office will contain language stating that the person declaring for office acknowledges by signing the declaration of candidacy, that their signature and filing of the declaration paper negates any and all previous declarations of candidacy filed during the current declaration period for state or local office.

- C. The Local Boards of Canvassers will acknowledge receipt of the declaration paper received by the person declaring for candidacy by time stamping or recording the date and time the declaration for office.

5.5 Implementation

- A. The Board of Elections may promulgate procedures and forms necessary to implement the within Part required under the Rhode Island General Laws.
- B. This Part was adopted at a meeting of the State Board of Elections held on the 21st day of April 2010 pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act (R.I. Gen. Laws § [42-35-1](#), *et seq.*). By Order of the Rhode Island Board of Elections.