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Senator Ligon of the 3rd offered the following amendment:

1 *Amend the House substitute to SB 82 by inserting after "primaries;" on line 4 "to provide for*
 2 *the qualifying dates for nonpartisan candidates;"; by inserting after "matters;" on line 29 "to*
 3 *provide for effective dates;"; and by inserting after line 93 the following:*

SECTION 2A.

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 5 Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (i) of Code
 6 Section 21-2-132, relating to filing notice of candidacy, nomination petition, and affidavit,
 7 as follows:

8 "(1) All candidates seeking election in a nonpartisan election shall file their notice of
 9 candidacy and pay the prescribed qualifying fee by the date prescribed in this paragraph
 10 in order to be eligible to have their names placed on the nonpartisan election ballot by the
 11 Secretary of State or election superintendent, as the case may be, in the following
 12 manner:

13 (A) Each candidate for the office of judge of the superior court, Judge of the Court of
 14 Appeals, or Justice of the Supreme Court, or the candidate's agent, desiring to have his
 15 or her name placed on the nonpartisan election ballot shall file a notice of candidacy,
 16 giving his or her name, residence address, and the office sought, in the office of the
 17 Secretary of State ~~no earlier than 9:00 A.M. on the last Monday in July immediately~~
 18 ~~prior to the election and no later than 12:00 Noon on the Friday following the last~~
 19 ~~Monday in July~~ at the same time as candidates for party nomination in the general
 20 primary as provided in paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-153,
 21 notwithstanding the fact that any such days may be legal holidays; and

22 (B) Each candidate for a county judicial office, a local school board office, or an office
 23 of a consolidated government, or the candidate's agent, desiring to have his or her name
 24 placed on the nonpartisan election ballot shall file a notice of candidacy in the office
 25 of the superintendent ~~no earlier than 9:00 A.M. on the last Monday in July immediately~~
 26 ~~prior to the election and no later than 12:00 Noon on the Friday following the last~~
 27 ~~Monday in July~~ at the same time as candidates for party nomination in the general
 28 primary as provided in paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-153,
 29 notwithstanding the fact that any such days may be legal holidays;"

30 *By inserting after line 544 the following:*

31 **SECTION 21A.**

32 (a) Section 2A of this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2011, only if House Bill 158 is
33 passed by the General Assembly during the 2011 regular session and is approved by the
34 Governor or becomes law without such approval. Otherwise, Section 2A shall be repealed
35 by operation of law on such date and shall be of no force and effect.

36 (b) The remaining sections of this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2011.