

S. 99.021 F.S. – CANDIDATES SEEKING A PARTY NOMINATION

Old Law: Candidate has not been a candidate for nomination of any political party for 6 months prior to general election for which the candidate seeks to qualify.

New Law: Candidate has not been a registered member of any other political party for 365 days before the beginning of qualifying preceding the general election for which the candidate seeks to qualify.

Effective upon becoming law May 2011

This means any candidate who has changed parties within 365 days of the beginning of qualifying will be ineligible to qualify as a political party candidate, but will be eligible to qualify as a candidate with no party affiliation.