Introduced by Assembly Member Bigelow

February 17, 2016

An act to amend Section 24001 of the Government Code, relating to local government.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2113, as introduced, Bigelow. Counties: officers: qualification for office.

Existing law provides that a person is not eligible to hold a county or district office, unless he or she is a registered voter of the county or district in which the duties of the office are to be exercised at the time of nomination or appointment.

This bill would instead provide that a person is not eligible to hold an elected county or district office unless he or she is a registered voter of the county or district in which the duties of the office are to be exercised at the time nomination papers are issued to the person or at the time of the appointment to an elective office.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 24001 of the Government Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 24001. Except as otherwise provided in Sections 27550.1 and
- 4 27641.1 or in this section, or in Section 21123 or 34711 of the
- 5 Water Code, or in any landowner voting district, as defined in

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paragraph (8) of subdivision (b) of Section 10500 of the Elections Code, a person is not eligible to-a *hold an elected* county or district office, unless he or she is a registered voter of the county or district in which the duties of the office are to be exercised at the time that nomination papers are issued to the person or at the time of the appointment of the person. *person to an elective office*.

The board of supervisors or any other legally constituted appointing authority in a county or district may, if it finds that the best interests of the county or district will be served, waive the requirements of this section for an appointed county or district office.