
ELECTION PETITIONS BILL.

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## SYNOPSIS.

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### TITLE AND PREAMBLE.

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### ENACTMENTS.

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#### I. ELECTION PETITIONS THEIR RECEPTION AND WITHDRAWAL:

1. Definition of Election Petition.
2. To be presented within first fourteen days of first Session after a General Election.
3. To be presented within first fourteen days of next Session, when Return made in Vacation or within fourteen last days of a Session.
4. To be presented within first fourteen days after the Return, when Return brought in during Session, if fourteen days remain and if not on first day of following Session.
5. May be presented at any period of day.
6. No Session of less than fourteen days to be a Session within meaning of preceding Sections.
7. Where certain charges of Bribery in Petition, twenty-eight days from the act of Bribery allowed for presenting Petition.
8. No Petitions if not presented within time to be deemed Election Petitions.
9. Petition may be withdrawn—with liability to costs.

#### II. RECOGNIZANCES AND DEPOSITS:

10. Petitioner's Recognizance for Costs—Schedule A. 1.
11. Sitting Member's Recognizance—Schedule A. 2.
12. Affidavits of sufficiency of Sureties—Schedule A. 4.
13. Names of Sureties to be inserted in Recognizance and Affidavits at length.
14. Recognizances to be entered into before Speaker or Justice of Peace.
15. Money may be deposited in lieu of Recognizances.
16. Election Petitions to be indorsed with Speaker's Certificate of Recognizance or Deposit.
17. No application of Sitting Member for Commission to be entertained but upon Speaker's Certificate of Recognizance or Deposit.
18. Objections to Recognizances of Sitting Members on application for Commission to examine witnesses to be disposed of by Select Election Committee.
19. Names of Sureties and amount of Deposit Certificates to be entered in Book.
20. Objections to Petitioners' Recognizance may be made by Sitting Member.
21. Notice of objection to be put up in Clerk's Office.
22. Speaker to decide objectors.
23. Deposit may be made on death of surety.
24. Speaker to report whether or not Recognizance objectionable.