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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

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RELATING TO ELECTIONS - PARTY PRIMARY DATE

Introduced By: Senator Leonidas P. Raptakis

Date Introduced: March 21, 2019

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 17-15-1 of the General Laws in Chapter 17-15 entitled "Primary
2 Elections" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **17-15-1. Date of primaries.**

4 A primary election for the nomination of candidates for each political party shall be held
5 in each voting district in the manner provided in this chapter on the ~~second~~ first Tuesday ~~after the~~
6 ~~first Monday in September~~ in June in each even numbered year.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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1 This act would change the date of party primaries from the second Tuesday after the first
2 Monday in September in each even numbered year to the first Tuesday in June in each even
3 numbered year.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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