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**Urgent matter regarding precinct committeemen**

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Dear Political Party Leaders,

We have an urgent issue. The Governor just signed HB 2839. The bill has an emergency provision, meaning it became law as soon as it was signed.

The bill includes language—added yesterday—that significantly changes the precinct committeeman application process:

- Precinct Committeemen are provided more time to file, as the filing date was moved from April 4 to April 18.
- The political parties – you all – will become the filing office instead of the Maricopa County Elections Department.
- The political parties will be responsible for verifying eligibility of the PCs
- The political parties will be responsible for submitting the names of PCs to the Board of Supervisors

Good or bad, this represents a last minute change to the process and puts significant new burdens on you all.

The window for PCs to submit paperwork begins on Monday (March 7).

That means that we will direct any PCs who arrive at our office to you instead.

Accordingly, we have two asks and two offers:

- Please communicate the change to your PCs and legislative district leadership
- Please let us how we should direct PCs who show up to our facilities

- Please let us know what we can do to help with this new responsibility. We realize this is very sudden and significant. We are here to help in any way we can while still complying with the law
- We are available tomorrow—Friday, March 4—at 10:00 AM to have an MS Teams meeting to discuss options for facilitating this change. **Please let me know if you are available.**

Thank you,

Stephen Richer

Maricopa County Recorder