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Hillsborough County Republican Absentee Primary Ballots to Be Reprinted

CONCORD, NH (August 5, 2022): The New Hampshire Secretary of State's Office reports that a candidate filed for incompatible offices on the Republican absentee ballots for Hillsborough County during the filing period (June 1-10) which was not identified until after the absentee ballots had been printed and sent out to the clerks. Brian Cole from Ward 7 in Manchester filed for state representative in Hillsborough, District 26 during the filing period in Manchester and filed for Hillsborough County Register of Probate at the Secretary of State's Office in Concord.

RSA 655:10 states: *"No person shall file a declaration of candidacy for nomination at the primary for incompatible offices".* The statute further states *"If any person shall file for incompatible offices, the Secretary of State shall advise the person of the provisions thereof and said person shall then advise the Secretary of State which of said offices he or she wishes to retain in order to seek said nomination".*

Mr. Cole has decided to run for state representative for Hillsborough District 26. The Republican Party has filled the resulting vacancy for Hillsborough Register of Probate with John Graham of Bedford. The reprinted absentee ballots will reflect these changes.

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