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|   | 20A-7-613, Utah Code Annotated 1953   |
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| ) | Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:  |
|   | Section 1. Section <b>20A-7-613</b> is enacted to read:   |
|   | <b>20A-7-613.</b> Property tax referendum petition.   |
|   | (1) As used in this section:  |
|   | (a) "Certified tax rate" is as defined in Subsection 59-2-924(3)(a).  |
|   | (b) "Fiscal year taxing entity" means a taxing entity that operates under a fiscal year   |
|   | that begins on July 1 and ends on June 30.  |
|   | (2) Except as provided in this section, the requirements of this part apply to a  |
|   | referendum petition challenging a fiscal year taxing entity's legislative body's vote to impose a   |
|   | tax rate that exceeds the certified tax rate.   |
|   | (3) Notwithstanding Subsection 20A-7-604(5), the local clerk shall number each of the   |
|   | referendum packets and return them to the sponsors within two working days.   |
|   | (4) Notwithstanding Subsection 20A-7-606(1), the sponsors shall deliver each signed   |
|   | and verified referendum packet to the county clerk of the county in which the packet was  |
|   | circulated no later than $\hat{S} \rightarrow [32] \hat{H} \rightarrow [42] 40 \leftarrow \hat{H} \leftarrow \hat{S}$ days after the day on which the |
|   | Ĥ→ [- <u>petitioners file the</u>   |
|   | application for a   |
|   | <u>referendum petition under Subsection 20A-7-601(3)</u> ] local clerk complies with Subsection (3) ← $\hat{H}$ .                                     |
|   | (5) Notwithstanding Subsections 20A-7-606(2) and (3), the county clerk shall take the   |
|   | actions required in Subsections 20A-7-606(2) and (3) within 10 working days after the day on  |
|   | which the county clerk receives the signed and verified referendum packet as described in   |
|   | Subsection (4).   |
|   | (6) The local clerk shall take the actions required by Section 20A-7-607 within two   |
|   | working days after the day on which the local clerk receives the referendum packets from the  |
|   | county clerk.   |
|   | (7) Notwithstanding Subsection 20A-7-608(2), the local attorney shall prepare the   |
|   | ballot title within two working days after the day on which the referendum petition is declared   |
|   | sufficient for submission to a vote of the people.  |
|   | (8) Notwithstanding Subsection 20A-7-609(2)(d), a referendum that qualifies for the   |
|   | ballot under this section shall appear on the ballot for the earlier of the next regular general  |
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| 90  | not have incurred but for compliance with this section.  |
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| 91  | (14) (a) An election officer shall include on a ballot a referendum that has not yet   |
| 92  | qualified for placement on the ballot, if:   |
| 93  | (i) sponsors file an application for a referendum described in this section;   |
| 94  | (ii) the ballot will be used for the election for which the sponsors are attempting to   |
| 95  | qualify the referendum; and  |
| 96  | (iii) the deadline for qualifying the referendum for placement on the ballot occurs after  |
| 97  | the day on which the ballot will be printed.   |
| 97a | $\hat{S} \rightarrow \underline{(b)}$ If an election officer includes on a ballot a referendum described in Subsection (14)(a),        |
| 97b | <u>the ballot title shall comply with Subsection (12).</u> ←Ŝ  |
| 98  | $\hat{S} \rightarrow [\underline{(b)}]$ (c) $\leftarrow \hat{S}$ If an election officer includes on a ballot a referendum described in |
| 98a | Subsection   |
| 99  | (14)(a) that does not qualify for placement on the ballot, the election officer shall inform the                                       |
| 100 | voters by any practicable method that the referendum has not qualified for the ballot and that   |
| 101 | votes cast in relation to the referendum will not be counted.  |
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