

Minority Committee Report of the Republican National Convention Committee on Rules and Order of Business, August 24, 2012

2012 Republican National Convention

RNC Committee on Rules and Order of Business

August 24-25, 2012

Minority Committee Report

Re: Rule 15

Petition

We, the undersigned members of the Convention Committee on Rules and Order of Business, submit this petition to rescind certain recommendation of the Convention on Rules and Order of Business regarding Rule 15, to wit:

Proposed language (to be rescinded by this action):

Add a new section 15(a) and replace as follows and renumber accordingly:

“(1) Any statewide presidential preference vote that permits a choice among candidates for the Republican nomination for president of the United States in a primary, caucuses, or a state convention must be used to allocate and bind the state’s delegation to the National Convention in either a proportional or winner-take-all manner, except for the delegates and alternate delegates who appear on a ballot in a statewide election and are elected directly by primary voters.”

(2) For any manner of binding or allocating delegates permitted by these Rules, no delegate or alternate delegate who is bound or allocated to a particular presidential candidate may be certified under Rule 19 if the presidential candidate to whom the delegate or alternate delegate is bound or allocated has, in consultation with the State Party, disavowed the delegate or alternate delegate.”

Add anew 15(e)(3) as follows:

“(e)(3) The Republican National Committee may grant a waiver to a state Republican Party from the provisions of 15(a) and (b) where compliance is impossible, and the Republican National Committee determines that granting such waiver is in the best interests of the Republican Party.”

Revise Rule 15(b)(2) as follows:

Any presidential primary caucus, convention, or other process to elect select allocate, or bind delegates to the national convention that occurs prior to April 1 in the year in which the national convention is held ~~shall~~ may provide for the allocation of delegates on a proportional basis.

IT IS THE EXPRESS INTENT OF THIS PETITION THAT THE LANGUAGE CURRENTLY SET FORTH IN THE RULES REMAIN AS THEY WERE PRIOR TO THE CONVENTION.

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