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Candidate-filing deadlines near for primary election

LINCOLN – Nebraska Secretary of State John Gale issued a reminder that candidate-filing deadlines for the May 13 primary election are fast approaching.

The deadline for incumbents is Feb. 15, and the deadline for non-incumbents is March 3. By statute, an incumbent is anyone who holds any elective office.

"I would encourage anyone interested in an office to file," said Gale, Nebraska's chief election officer. "Primary elections give voters choices, and that strengthens the interest of our citizens in the process."

On the federal level, the May ballot include races for a Senate seat and three House seats.

Other races being contested include Legislature, Public Service Commission, state Board of Education, University of Nebraska Board of Regents, community colleges, natural resources districts and large public power districts.

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