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### **Party petition drive fails to result in ballot placement**

LINCOLN – Organizers have failed in their effort to place the Marijuana Party of Nebraska on the general election ballot, says Secretary of State John Gale. Valid signatures fell short of the 5,395 necessary.

By statute, valid signatures were required from at least one percent of the total votes cast for governor in the 2014 general election. As certified to the Secretary of State's office by county election officials, only 4,353 valid signatures were collected in the petition drive.

In addition to falling short in the total number of signatures collected, valid signatures also did not reach the threshold in any of the three congressional districts. In order to be placed on the ballot, signatures would have had to equal at least one percent of the total votes cast for governor in each district in 2014.

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