ELECTION ADVISORY

NO. 2014-11

TO: County Clerks/Elections Administrators and Cities, Schools and Other Political Subdivisions

FROM: Keith Ingram, Director of Elections

DATE: May 20, 2014

RE: Allowable Dates for Runoff Elections

Under Section 41.001(c), another election may not be held within 30 days of a primary election, including the May 27 runoff primary election. Our office understands that this creates a limited window for cities, schools and other political subdivisions to hold runoff elections from the May 10 elections.

Therefore, the Secretary of State has adopted 1 T.A.C. 81.420 (copied below), and effective May 27, 2014 to provide more time for runoff elections. Under this TAC rule, you may hold a runoff election between Monday, June 16, 2014 and Saturday, July 5, 2014. You may not hold a runoff election before June 16 or after July 5.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Legal Department at 1-800-252-2216, Option 2.

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