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ELECTION SET TO FILL APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE VACANCY

An election has been set to fill the 4th Congressional District vacancy on the House Appropriations Committee.

Solicitations for candidacy will be mailed by House Clerk Alfred Speer on December 4th. Each member of the district is eligible to be a candidate and has 10 days within which to return the notice of candidacy form supplied by the clerk.

Ballots will be mailed on December 18 to the members residing in the 4th Congressional District and must be returned within 15 days (January 3, 2007). The House and Governmental Affairs Committee must meet by January 8 to witness the opening and tabulating of the vote.

If no one receives a majority, a run-off will be held between the two candidates who receive the highest number of votes. A run-off, if necessary, must be conducted in the same manner as the original election. If the run-off ends in a tie, the two candidates will cast lots under the supervision of the Clerk to decide the election.

The vacant seat was held by state Rep. Roy "Hoppy" Hopkins who died last week.

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