

**43.2 Definitions.**

The term “*political party*” shall mean a party which, at the last preceding general election, cast for its candidate for president of the United States or for governor, as the case may be, at least two percent of the total vote cast for all candidates for that office at that election. It shall be the responsibility of the state commissioner to determine whether any organization claiming to be a political party qualifies as such under the foregoing definition.

A political organization which is not a “political party” within the meaning of [this section](#) may nominate candidates and have the names of such candidates placed upon the official ballot by proceeding under [chapters 44](#) and [45](#).

As used in [this chapter](#), unless the context otherwise requires, “*book*”, “*list*”, “*record*”, or “*schedule*” kept by a county auditor, assessor, treasurer, recorder, sheriff, or other county officer means the county system as defined in [section 445.1](#).

[S13, §1087-a3; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §528; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §43.2]  
[2000 Acts, ch 1148, §1](#)

Referred to in [§42.1](#), [§44.18](#), [§48A.11](#), [§49.58](#), [§68A.102](#), [§68A.601](#), [§68A.602](#), [§99B.1](#), [§421.1A](#)