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Update on petition status of two U.S. Senate candidates in Nebraska

LINCOLN – An update from the Secretary of State’s office regarding the status of two Nebraska candidates petitioning onto the general election ballot for U.S. Senate.

Sec. John Gale said today that enough signatures have been verified to put Jim Jenkins on the ballot as an independent candidate in November.

Jenkins turned in nearly 6,000 signatures. To be added to the ballot, at least 4,000 valid signatures were required with at least 750 of those signatures collected in each of Nebraska’s three congressional districts.

Additionally, U.S. Senate candidate Todd Watson reported submitting 5,380 signatures to the Secretary of State’s office Thursday morning. Once processed, those signatures will be sent to the county election officials for verification. They will check each voter’s address, birthdate and signature. If enough signatures are verified to meet the threshold, the Secretary of State’s office will notify Watson that he will appear on the ballot.

Republican Ben Sasse and Democrat David Domina advanced from the primary to run for the seat vacated by U.S. Senator Mike Johanns.

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