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PBDS FULLY PREPARED FOR ELECTION

SIBU, Aug 25 (Bernama) -- Party Bansa Dayak Sarawak (PBDS) is fully prepared for the state election.

Its president, Datuk Amar Leo Moggie, said today that except for Pelagus, the incumbents in seven other constituencies would be retained to contest.

For Pelagus, incumbent Datuk Sng Chee Hua would be replaced by his son, Larry, and the party's supreme council had fully endorsed the nomination, he told reporters after chairing the party's supreme council meeting here.

Moggie said, however, that he would leave it to state Barisan Nasional (BN) chairman Tan Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud to submit the party's list to BN chairman Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohammad for endorsement.

On dissatisfaction among the Pelagus voters regarding Larry's candidacy, Moggie said PBDS was quite comfortable in nominating him.

"He comes from a very good political background where his grandfather and father have both been very active in local politics and have been leaders at both the parliamentary and state levels," he said.

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