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**A Bill**

SENATE BILL 223

By: Senators Hester, J. Hendren  
By: Representative Boyd

### For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FILLING OF  
CERTAIN MUNICIPAL VACANCIES IN A CITY ADMINISTRATOR  
FORM OF GOVERNMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FILLING  
OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL VACANCIES IN A CITY  
ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-48-115 is amended to read as follows:  
14-48-115. Mayor or director vacancy.

~~(a) In the case of a vacancy in the office of mayor or in the office of a member of the board of directors as a result of death, resignation, a recall election as provided for in § 14-48-114, or for any other reason, the board, at the first regular meeting after the occurrence of the vacancy and by majority vote, shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy if the vacancy occurs less than six (6) months before the next general municipal election at which the remainder of the unexpired term shall be filled or call for a special election to be held in accordance with § 7-11-101 et seq. to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term.~~

~~(b) If the vacancy occurs more than six (6) months prior to the next general municipal election, a special election to fill the vacancy shall be called by proclamation issued in accordance with § 7-11-101 et seq., by:~~

~~(1) The mayor, if the vacancy is in a board position; or~~



~~(2) The highest ranking member of the board of directors, if the vacancy is in the mayor's position.~~

*/s/Hester*

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