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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1513

By: Representative Boyd

By: Senator M. Pitsch

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INSPECTION OF
BALLOTS BY ELECTION OFFICIALS; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INSPECTION OF
BALLOTS BY ELECTION OFFICIALS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-5-309(d), concerning viewing the back of a ballot before the voter deposits it, is repealed.

~~(d) A poll worker may inspect the back of the ballot before the voter deposits it to see if it has been initialed by an election official.~~

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-5-319(c), concerning recounts, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(5) If the county board of election commissioners counts by hand the votes for each candidate involved in the recount, the county board of election commissioners may check the back of the ballot to see if the ballot has been initialed by an election official.

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