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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1175

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CANDIDATE FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR POSITIONS ON SCHOOL BOARDS AND LOCAL BOARDS OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES; TO AMEND THE CANDIDATE FILING PERIOD FOR SCHOOL BOARD POSITIONS; TO AMEND THE BALLOT FEE FOR CANDIDATES FOR LOCAL BOARDS OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO AMEND THE CANDIDATE FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR POSITIONS ON SCHOOL BOARDS AND LOCAL BOARDS OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-14-111(e)(1)(B), concerning the candidate filing period for school board positions, is amended to read as follows:

(B) During a one-week period ending at 12:00 noon ~~on August 1 for school elections held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November~~ ninety (90) days before a general election.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-61-520(c)(3)(A), concerning the establishment and members of local boards of community colleges, is amended to read as follows:

(3)(A)(i) At the time of filing the statement of candidacy, the candidate shall ~~pay a ballot fee of three dollars (\$3.00) and shall~~ file a



petition containing the signatures of at least twenty-five (25) qualified electors of the district, requesting that the name of the candidate be placed on the ballot as a candidate for the position on the local board.

(ii) If the candidate is unopposed, § 7-5-207 shall apply.

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