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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 557

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND ELECTION LAW; TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF MEMBERS OF A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS; TO CLARIFY THE DUTIES OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES DESIGNATED AS ELECTION OFFICIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO AMEND ELECTION LAW; TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF MEMBERS OF A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS; AND TO CLARIFY THE DUTIES OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES DESIGNATED AS ELECTION OFFICIALS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-4-107(a), concerning the duties of a county board of election commissioners, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(6)(A) Supervise all election officials.

(B) The supervision of election officials may be delegated by an affirmative vote of a quorum of all members of the county board of election commissioners.



SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 7, Chapter 4, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

7-4-122. County employees detailed as election official.

(a) A county employee detailed as an election official shall comply with directives of the county board of election commissioners in matters related to an election.

(b) A county board of election commissioners may assign to other election officials the supervision of election officials by an affirmative vote of a quorum of all members of the county board of election commissioners.

(d) A county board of election commissioners may not change a duty delegated to a county employee if that duty is expressly governed by state or federal law.

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