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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1325

By: Representatives A. Collins, *McAlindon*

By: Senator J. Dotson

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO STANDARDIZE THE HOURS EARLY VOTING IS
AVAILABLE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EARLY VOTING;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO STANDARDIZE THE HOURS EARLY VOTING IS
AVAILABLE; AND TO AMEND THE LAW
CONCERNING EARLY VOTING.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-5-418(b)(1), concerning early voting, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(b)(1)(A) The county board of election commissioners may decide to hold early voting at additional polling sites outside the offices of the county clerk on any of the days ~~and times~~ provided for in subsection (a) of this section, if it so chooses.

(B) The county board of election commissioners shall determine by unanimous vote the location of additional polling sites for early voting.

(C) If the county board of election commissioners decides to hold early voting at an additional polling site on one (1) or more days under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section, the hours the additional early voting polling site is open on such day or days shall be the same hours as the county clerk's designated early voting location under subdivision (a)(1)(A) of this section for such day or days.



(D) If the county board of election commissioners is unable to secure one (1) or more additional polling sites for early voting on one (1) or more days under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section that will allow voting to occur during the same hours of the county clerk's designated early voting location under subdivision (a)(1)(A) of this section for such day or days, the hours the additional early voting polling site is open on such day or days shall be as close to the hours of the county clerk's designated early voting location as possible.

/s/A. Collins

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