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A Bill

SENATE BILL 414

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ELECTION LAWS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING NOTICES RELATED TO THE ELECTION PROCESS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE ELECTION LAWS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING NOTICES RELATED TO THE ELECTION PROCESS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-4-102(b)(2)(A), concerning the election of members to a county board of election commissioners, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) Upon receipt of the notice under subdivision (b)(1) of this section, the county clerk shall ~~send to~~ notify each of the county election commissioners, ~~by registered mail,~~ in writing within thirty (30) days of selection as a county election commissioner, ~~a notice of the requirement~~ to take and subscribe to the oath prescribed by the Arkansas Constitution.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-7-203(h)(2)(A), concerning general election primary dates, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A)(i) ~~Each~~ Except as provided in subdivision (h)(2)(A)(ii) of this section, each county clerk shall at least one hundred (100) days



before the date of the general election notify by ~~registered mail~~ certified mail, restricted delivery, the chairs and secretaries of the county committees of the respective political parties that a certified list of all nominated candidates for county, township, and municipal offices is due and shall be filed with the county clerk in order that the candidates' names be placed on the ballot for the general election.

(ii) Upon written agreement by the chairs of the county committees of the respective political parties, the county clerk may notify the chairs and secretaries of the county committees of the respective political parties by email with a read receipt requested.

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