

State of Arkansas  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1878

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ENSURE EARLY VOTING ACCESS FOR ARKANSANS  
RESIDING IN POPULATION CENTERS; TO REQUIRE A COUNTY  
BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO CONDUCT EARLY  
VOTING IN A CITY IN CERTAIN INSTANCES; AND FOR OTHER  
PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO ENSURE EARLY VOTING ACCESS FOR  
ARKANSANS RESIDING IN POPULATION  
CENTERS; AND TO REQUIRE A COUNTY BOARD  
OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO CONDUCT  
EARLY VOTING IN A CITY IN CERTAIN  
INSTANCES.

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

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

(b)(1)(A)(i) The county board of election commissioners shall hold  
early voting for each preferential primary election and each general election  
at a polling site in each city:

(a) Having a population of more than fifteen  
thousand (15,000) people in the most recent federal decennial census; and

(b) Where the county clerk is not conducting  
early voting.

(ii) 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 provided for in subsection (a) of this section, if it so chooses.

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