

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1311

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING COUNTY TREASURERS AND CERTAIN
ELECTION MATERIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

CONCERNING COUNTY TREASURERS AND CERTAIN
ELECTION MATERIALS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-5-317(b), concerning the processing and delivery of election materials, is amended to read as follows:

(b) All of the election materials and returns shall be delivered to the county board of election commissioners, or to the county treasurer in the case of the stub boxes, by the poll workers immediately after the polls close.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-5-702(d) and (e), concerning the preservation of ballots, stubs, certificates, and other election materials, is amended to read as follows:

(d) For ~~a period of~~ twenty (20) days, the county treasurer shall retain the custody of ~~and safely keep all~~ ballot stubs in ~~a~~ an appropriately marked, sealed container ~~appropriately marked which are~~ delivered to him or her from the several precincts, after which time they shall be stored in a secure location in the county courthouse or other county storage facility unless an election contest has been filed or a criminal prosecution has been initiated in connection with the election.



(e) After a period of two (2) years, all marked ballots and ballot stubs may be destroyed in the following manner:

(1) The county board of election commissioners shall enter an order directing the destruction of marked ballots and ballot stubs;

(2) The county board of election commissioners shall make and retain a record of marked ballots and ballot stubs destroyed; and

(3) The county board shall file with the county clerk the order and record pertaining to marked ballots and ballot stubs destroyed ~~with the county clerk.~~