

State of Arkansas  
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# A Bill

Call Item 6  
HOUSE BILL 1007

By: Representative Davis

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FILING OF CONTRIBUTION AND EXPENDITURE REPORTS TO ADDRESS THE EFFECTS OF MOVING THE PRIMARY ELECTIONS TO MARCH; TO AMEND A PORTION OF ARKANSAS LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990 AND INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW ON CONTRIBUTION AND EXPENDITURE REPORTS TO ADDRESS THE EFFECTS OF MOVING THE PRIMARY ELECTIONS TO MARCH; AND TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990 AND INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-6-207(a)(1)(A) and (B), concerning reports of contributions for candidates for office other than school district, township, municipal, or county office and resulting from Initiated Act 1 of 1990 and Initiated Act 1 of 1996, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Reports Required.

(1) Except as provided in ~~subsection~~ subsections (c) and (e) of this section, each candidate for office, other than a school district, township, municipal, or county office, or a person acting in the candidate's behalf, shall file with the Secretary of State:

(A) For each quarter during a calendar year in which a



candidate is not listed on any ballot for election, a quarterly report of all contributions received and expenditures made during that quarter. The quarterly report shall be filed no later than fifteen (15) days after the end of each quarter;

(B) Beginning with the month of ~~January~~ in the November preceding a calendar year in which a candidate may be listed on any ballot for election, a monthly report of all contributions received and expenditures made during that month. However, for any month in which certain days of that month are included in a preelection report required under subdivision (a)(1)(C) of this section or a final report required under subdivision (a)(1)(D) of this section, no monthly report for that month shall be due. In the case of a primary or runoff election, those days of the month occurring after the date of the election shall be carried forward and included in the next monthly report. The monthly report shall be filed no later than fifteen (15) days after the end of each month, except that the final report, covering the month during which an election is held, shall be filed within thirty (30) days after the end of the month in which the last election is held at which the candidate seeks nomination and after the end of the month in which the general election is held. With respect to a special election, the candidate shall file monthly reports under this section beginning with the month in which the special election candidate's total campaign contributions or expenditures exceed five hundred dollars (\$500);

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-6-207, concerning reports of contributions for candidates for office other than school district, township, municipal, or county office and resulting from Initiated Act 1 of 1990 and Initiated Act 1 of 1996, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(e) Reports by Candidates Who Have Filed For Elective Office.

(1) If a candidate files for office during the party filing period, for the quarter including the party filing period, the candidate shall:

(A) File monthly reports under subdivision (a)(1)(B) of this section for the months of the quarter that includes the party filing period;  
and

(B) Not file a quarterly report under subdivision (a)(1)(B) of

this section for the quarter that includes the party filing period.