

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

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2138

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO CREATE THE VOTING AND ELECTIONS  
TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2017; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING  
ELECTIONS AND VOTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO CREATE THE VOTING AND ELECTIONS  
TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2017; AND TO AMEND  
THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTIONS AND VOTING.

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

*SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 7, Chapter 5, Subchapter 9, is amended to add an additional subchapter to read as follows:*

*Subchapter 9 – Voting and Elections Transparency Act of 2017*

*7-5-901. Title.*

*This subchapter shall be known and cited as the "Voting and Elections Transparency Act of 2017".*

*7-5-902. Uncounted votes.*

*(a) If for any reason a vote, including an absentee vote and a provisional vote, is not counted under this chapter, the county board of election commissioners shall promptly notify the person who cast the vote.*

*(b) Notification under subsection (a) of this section shall be written notification and shall state the reason or reasons the vote was not counted.*

*7-5-903. Voter notification.*



(a) Except as otherwise provided under federal law and Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 51, the county clerk shall send written notification to a person when:

(1) A person registers to vote for the first time;

(2) The voter registration of a person becomes inactive; and

(3) A person is removed or purged from a voter registration list.

(b) If a person is removed or purged from a voter registration list under subdivision (a)(3) of this section, he or she has thirty (30) days to challenge the removal.

7-5-904. Election commissioners.

(a) A member of the State Board of Election Commissioners or a county board of election commissioners shall not serve as a poll worker or a poll watcher on behalf of an individual candidate, political party, or ballot initiative.

(b) A person shall not simultaneously serve on the State Board of Election Commissioners and a county board of election commissioners.

7-5-905. Documentation for long-term care or residential care facility residents.

(a) The documentation required to be submitted by a person who is a resident of a long-term care facility or residential care facility licensed by the state under this chapter shall be standardized.

(b) The Secretary of State's office shall develop, adopt, and make available a standardized form to satisfy the requirements under law concerning the documentation under subsection (a) of this section.

/s/V. Flowers