

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

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 508

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NUMBER OF OFFICIAL HOLIDAYS OF  
THE STATE; TO MAKE ELECTION DAY AN OFFICIAL HOLIDAY;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO AMEND THE NUMBER OF OFFICIAL HOLIDAYS  
OF THE STATE; AND TO MAKE ELECTION DAY  
AN OFFICIAL HOLIDAY.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 1-5-101(a), concerning the official holidays of the state, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(12) Election Day – the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in even-numbered years.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 1-5-101(c), concerning the official holidays of the state, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) It is the specific intent of the General Assembly that all state employees shall be entitled to eleven (11) paid holidays per odd numbered year ~~years~~ and twelve (12) paid holidays per even numbered years.

(2) A state employee with job duties on election day is:

(1) Required to work on Election Day; and

(2) Entitled to equivalent time off at a later date.

(3) The Office of Personnel Management shall promulgate rules ~~and regulations~~ to assure this legislative intent.

