Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law. Act 1014 of the Regular Session

| 1        |   | As Engrossed:            | нз/15/17 нз/23/17<br>A Bill |                            |  |
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| 2        | 91st General Assembly   |                          | A DIII                      |                            |  |
| 3        | Regular Session, 2017   |                          |                             | HOUSE BILL 2138            |  |
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| 5        | By: Representatives V. Flowers, C. Douglas, Drown, K. Ferguson, Lowery, Sabin |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 6<br>7   | For An Act To Be Entitled   |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 7<br>8   | AN ACT TO CREATE THE VOTING AND ELECTIONS                                     |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 9        | TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2017; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING                         |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 10       | ELECTIONS AND VOTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.                                 |                          |                             |                            |  |
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| 13       | Subtitle  |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 14       | TO CREATE THE VOTING AND ELECTIONS  |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 15       | TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2017; AND TO AMEND  |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 16       | THE   | LAW CONCERNING H         | ELECTIONS AND VOTING.       |                            |  |
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| 19       | BE IT ENACTED BY THE  | GENERAL ASSEMBLY         | OF THE STATE OF ARKA        | NSAS:                      |  |
| 20       |   |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 21       | SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 7, Chapter 5, Subchapter 9, is amended         |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 22       | to add an additional subchapter to read as follows:                           |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 23       | <u>Subchapter</u>   | 9 — Voting and El        | ections Transparency        | <u>Act of 2017</u>         |  |
| 24       |   |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 25       | <u>7-5-901. Titl</u>  | <u>e.</u>                |                             |                            |  |
| 26       | This subchapter shall be known and cited as the "Voting and Elections         |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 27       | <u>Transparency Act of</u>  | <u>2017".</u>            |                             |                            |  |
| 28       |   |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 29       | <u>7-5-902. Unco</u>  | unted votes.             |                             |                            |  |
| 30       | <u>(a) If for any reason a vote, including an absentee vote and a</u>         |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 31       | provisional vote, is not counted under this chapter, the county board of      |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 32       | election commissioners shall promptly notify the person who cast the vote.    |                          |                             |                            |  |
| 33       | (b) Notification under subsection (a) of this section shall be written        |                          |                             |                            |  |
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| 36       | <u> /-J-903. Vote</u>   | <u>r notification.</u>   |                             |                            |  |



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| 1  | (a) Except as otherwise provided under federal law and Arkansas              |  |  |  |
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| 2  | Constitution, Amendment 51, the county clerk shall send written notification |  |  |  |
| 3  | to a person when:  |  |  |  |
| 4  | (1) A person registers to vote for the first time;                           |  |  |  |
| 5  | (2) The voter registration of a person becomes inactive; and                 |  |  |  |
| 6  | (3) A person is removed or purged from a voter registration                  |  |  |  |
| 7  | <u>list.</u>   |  |  |  |
| 8  | (b) If a person is removed or purged from a voter registration list          |  |  |  |
| 9  | under subdivision (a)(3) of this section, he or she has thirty (30) days to  |  |  |  |
| 10 | challenge the removal.   |  |  |  |
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| 12 | 7-5-904. Election commissioners.   |  |  |  |
| 13 | (a) A member of the State Board of Election Commissioners or a county        |  |  |  |
| 14 | board of election commissioners shall not serve as a poll worker or a poll   |  |  |  |
| 15 | watcher on behalf of an individual candidate, political party, or ballot     |  |  |  |
| 16 | <u>initiative.</u>   |  |  |  |
| 17 | (b) A person shall not simultaneously serve on the State Board of            |  |  |  |
| 18 | Election Commissioners and a county board of election commissioners.         |  |  |  |
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| 20 | 7-5-905. Documentation for long-term care or residential care facility       |  |  |  |
| 21 | <u>residents.</u>  |  |  |  |
| 22 | (a) The documentation required to be submitted by a person who is a          |  |  |  |
| 23 | resident of a long-term care facility or residential care facility licensed  |  |  |  |
| 24 | by the state under this chapter shall be standardized.                       |  |  |  |
| 25 | (b) The Secretary of State's office shall develop, adopt, and make           |  |  |  |
| 26 | available a standardized form to satisfy the requirements under law          |  |  |  |
| 27 | concerning the documentation under subsection (a) of this section.           |  |  |  |
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| 30 | /s/V. Flowers  |  |  |  |
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| 33 | APPROVED: 04/06/2017   |  |  |  |
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