

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **78th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1991**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

4 **By: Representatives Jones and Flanagin**

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## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-5-511 TO REQUIRE VOTING  
9 MACHINE BALLOTS TO GROUP CANDIDATES BY POLITICAL PARTY  
10 AFFILIATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

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14 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 7-5-511 (e) is hereby amended to read as  
15 follows:

16 "(e) In all party primaries, the names of all candidates for nomination  
17 to the same office or position shall be listed on the voting machine ballot  
18 label, as defined in this section, as follows:

19 (1) If the voting machine is adapted to the listing of offices or  
20 positions in horizontal lines, the names of all candidates for nomination to  
21 the same office or position shall be listed on the voting machine ballot label  
22 in a single vertical line;

23 (2) If the voting machine is adapted to listing offices or positions in  
24 vertical lines, the names of all candidates for nomination to the same office  
25 or position shall be listed on the ballot label in a single horizontal line;  
26 and

27 (3) All such names shall be of the same size print."

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29 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 7-5-511 is hereby amended by inserting at the  
30 end thereof an additional section to read as follows:

31 "(f) In all general and special elections, the names of all candidates  
32 for the same office or position shall be listed on the voting machine ballot  
33 label, as defined in this section, as follows:

34 (1) If the voting machine is adapted to the listing of offices or  
35 positions in horizontal lines, the names of all candidates for the same office

1 or position shall be listed on the voting machine ballot label in a single  
2 vertical line with the names of all nominees of each political party and all  
3 independent candidates grouped together on the same respective horizontal  
4 lines;

5 (2) If the voting machine is adapted to listing offices or positions in  
6 vertical lines, the names of all candidates for the same office or position  
7 shall be listed on the ballot label in a single horizontal line with the names  
8 of all nominees of each political party and all independent candidates grouped  
9 together on the same respective vertical lines; and

10 (3) All such names shall be of the same size print."  
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12 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
13 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
14 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.  
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16 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
17 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
18 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
19 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
20 act are declared to be severable.  
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22 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
23 hereby repealed.  
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