

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**
4 **By: Representative Smith**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1003

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
9 ADMINISTRATION SHALL OFFER INDIVIDUALS WHO APPLY IN PERSON
10 AT THE DEPARTMENT'S OFFICES FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR
11 *IDENTIFICATION CARD* THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMPLETE AN
12 AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION TO VOTE; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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16 "TO MAKE AFFIDAVITS OF REGISTRATION TO VOTE AVAILABLE TO
17 INDIVIDUALS APPLYING IN PERSON AT DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
18 AND ADMINISTRATION OFFICES FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR
19 *IDENTIFICATION CARD*."

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

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23 SECTION 1. As used in this act, the terms:

24 (a) "Deputy Voter Registrar" means an employee of the Department of
25 Finance and Administration who qualifies as a volunteer deputy voter registrar
26 under §§ 7-4-201 et seq. and has been appointed by the permanent voter
27 registrar in the county to register eligible individuals who apply in person
28 at the Department's offices for a driver's license or *identification card*; and

29 (b) "Permanent Voter Registrar" means the county clerk in each of the
30 several counties of this state.

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32 SECTION 2. (a) The Department of Finance and Administration shall
33 provide to an individual who applies in person at the Department's offices for
34 an original, a renewal, a corrected, or a duplicate driver's license or
35 *identification card* the opportunity to complete an affidavit of registration

1 to vote.

2 (b) An appropriate Department employee shall routinely inform each
3 applicant for a license or card of the opportunity to register to vote and, on
4 request, shall direct the applicant to a deputy voter registrar on the
5 premises who shall provide nonpartisan assistance to the applicant in
6 completing an affidavit of registration.

7 (c) On receipt of a completed affidavit of registration, a deputy voter
8 registrar shall note the date of submission on the application and issue a
9 receipt to the applicant containing the applicant's name, the deputy voter
10 registrar's name, the location of the office, and the date of submission.

11 (d) At the end of each day a Department office is regularly open for
12 business, a deputy voter registrar shall deliver by mail all completed
13 affidavits of registration to the permanent voter registrar of the county in
14 which the office is located.

15 (e) The date of submission of a completed affidavit of registration to
16 a deputy voter registrar is considered to be the date of submission to a
17 permanent voter registrar for the purpose of determining the effective date of
18 registration only.

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20 SECTION 3. (a) A permanent voter registrar shall cooperate fully with
21 a deputy voter registrar in the performance of the deputy's duties.
22 Cooperation shall include, but not be limited to, the provision of sufficient
23 affidavits of registration to the deputy voter registrars necessary to
24 register voters.

25 (b) A permanent voter registrar may require deputy voter registrars to
26 comply with guidelines, the purpose of which is properly to account for
27 affidavits of registration and to protect the integrity of the voter
28 registration rolls in the county.

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30 SECTION 4. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
31 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
32 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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34 SECTION 5. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
35 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect

1 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
2 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
3 act are declared to be severable.

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5 SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
6 hereby repealed.

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/s/J. Smith

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