

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

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1136

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND §7-6-203(j) TO ALLOW AN UNOPPOSED
CANDIDATE TO DISPOSE OF ANY CAMPAIGN BALANCE PRIOR TO THE
GENERAL ELECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

"TO ALLOW AN UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE TO DISPOSE OF ANY
CAMPAIGN BALANCE PRIOR TO THE GENERAL ELECTION."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code §7-6-203(j) is amended to read as follows:

"(j) (1) Within thirty (30) days following a general election, a
candidate shall turn over to either:

(A) The State Treasurer for the benefit of the General
Revenue Fund Account of the State Apportionment Fund;

(B) An organized political party as defined in § 7-1-101(1);

or

(C) The contributors to the candidate's campaign
any balance of campaign funds over expenses incurred as of the day of the
election except for:

(i) An amount equal to the yearly salary, excluding
expense allowances, set by Arkansas law for the office sought; and

(ii) Any funds required to reimburse the candidate for
personal funds contributed to the campaign or to repay loans made by financial
institutions to the candidate and applied to the campaign.

(2) If an unopposed candidate agrees not to solicit further
campaign contributions by filing an affidavit with the Secretary of State
declaring such agreement, the candidate may dispose of any *surplus* of campaign

1 funds prior to a general election after the time has passed to declare an
2 intent to be a write-in candidate pursuant to Arkansas Code §7-5-205."

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4 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
5 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
6 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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8 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
9 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
10 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
11 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
12 act are declared to be severable.

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14 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
15 hereby repealed.

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/s/Rep. Flanagan

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