

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

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-5-208 TO ELIMINATE THE
9 BLACKOUT STICKER FROM BALLOTS WHICH WILL BE ELECTRONICALLY
10 SCANNED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

13 "TO ELIMINATE THE BLACKOUT STICKER FROM BALLOTS WHICH WILL
14 BE ELECTRONICALLY SCANNED."

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

18 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 7-5-208(d) is amended to read as follows:
19 "§ 7-5-208. Ballots - Form.

20 (d) Each ballot number printed on each ballot in the upper right hand
21 corner shall be covered or concealed securely by the placing over the number
22 and pasting down by the printer of the ballots or the election judges, if so
23 designated by the county committee or county board of election commissioners,
24 a black-out sticker, which is to be two inches (2") square with a gummed edge
25 extending three-eighths of an inch (3/8") toward the center of the square, so
26 as to conceal but not destroy the ballot number printed thereon. No sticker
27 shall be removed except in case of contested elections, grand jury
28 investigation, or in the trial of any civil or criminal case in which the
29 violation of any law relating to elections, including primary, general, and
30 special elections, is under investigation or at issue and then only on the
31 order of a proper court. The provision of this subsection (d) does not apply
32 to ballots which will be electronically scanned."

34 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
35 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code

1 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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

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10 hereby repealed.

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