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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1756

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For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-5-407 TO PROVIDE THAT
11 COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSIONERS SHALL DELIVER ABSENTEE
12 BALLOTS FOR RUNOFF ELECTIONS TO THE COUNTY CLERK NO
13 LATER THAN FIFTEEN DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION; AND FOR
14 OTHER PURPOSES. "

Subtitle

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17 "TO PROVIDE THAT COUNTY ELECTION
18 COMMISSIONERS SHALL DELIVER ABSENTEE
19 BALLOTS FOR RUNOFF ELECTIONS TO THE
20 COUNTY CLERK NO LATER THAN FIFTEEN DAYS
21 BEFORE THE ELECTION. "

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

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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 7-5-407 is amended to read as follows:

27 "7-5-407. Preparation and delivery of ballots.

28 (a) The county board of election commissioners shall prepare official
29 absentee ballots and deliver them to the county clerk for mailing to all
30 qualified applicants as soon as practicable but in any event not later than
31 twenty-five (25) days before any election, and not later than ~~fourteen (14)~~
32 fifteen (15) days before a runoff election, unless certification is delayed,
33 in which case, not later than seven (7) days before a runoff election.

34 (b) The county board of election commissioners shall prepare official
35 absentee ballots and deliver them to the county clerk for mailing to any
36 qualified applicant as soon as practicable but in any event not later than

1 twenty-five (25) days before the preferential primary election and not later
2 than ~~fourteen (14)~~ fifteen (15) days before the general primary election,
3 unless certification is delayed, in which case not later than seven (7) days
4 before the general primary election."

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

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

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