

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 84th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2003

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2302

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5 By: Representative King  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE TO BE A RESIDENT  
10 FOR NINETY (90) DAYS BEFORE THE CANDIDATE'S NAME  
11 SHALL BE PRINTED ON THE BALLOT; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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15 RESIDENT FOR NINETY (90) DAYS BEFORE THE  
16 CANDIDATE'S NAME SHALL BE PRINTED ON THE  
17 BALLOT.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-5-207 is amended to read as follows:  
24 7-5-207. Ballots - Names included.

25 (a) All election ballots provided by the county board of election  
26 commissioners of any county in this state for any election shall contain in  
27 the proper place the name of every candidate whose nomination for any office  
28 to be filled at that election has been certified to the county board and  
29 shall not contain the name of any candidate or person who has not been  
30 certified. If any candidate shall, prior to the printing of the ballots,  
31 notify the Secretary of State in the case of a United States, state, or  
32 district office, or the county board in the case of a county, city, or  
33 township office, in writing, signed by the candidate, and acknowledged before  
34 an officer authorized to take acknowledgments, of his or her desire to  
35 withdraw as a candidate for the office or position, the name of the person  
36 shall not be printed on the ballot at the election.



1 (b) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, No person's  
2 name shall be printed upon the ballot as a candidate for any public office in  
3 this state at any election unless the person is qualified and eligible at the  
4 time of filing as a candidate for the office to hold the public office for  
5 which he or she is a candidate, except if a person is not qualified to hold  
6 the office at the time of filing because of age alone, the name of the person  
7 shall be printed on the ballot as a candidate for the office if the person  
8 will qualify to hold the office at the time prescribed by law for taking  
9 office.

10 (c) No person's name shall be printed upon the ballot as a candidate  
11 for any county office unless he or she:

12 (1) Is qualified and eligible at the time of filing as a  
13 candidate for the office to hold the public office for which he or she is a  
14 candidate, except if a person is not qualified to hold the office at the time  
15 of filing because of age alone, the name of the person shall be printed on  
16 the ballot as a candidate for the office if the person will qualify to hold  
17 the office at the time prescribed by law for taking office; and

18 (2) Has physically resided for more than ninety days (90) in the  
19 county in which he or she has filed as a candidate.

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