

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.

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As Engrossed: S3/26/03 S4/4/03

A Bill

SENATE BILL 618

5 By: Senator Madison
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF SPECIAL ELECTIONS
9 IN A CALENDAR YEAR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

11 AN ACT TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF SPECIAL
12 ELECTIONS.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-5-103 (c), concerning the time for
20 special elections, is amended to read as follows:

21 (c) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, special
22 elections shall be held on the second Tuesday of any month, but in no event
23 earlier than thirty (30) days following the issuance of the proclamation
24 issued by the appropriate constituted authority.
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26 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-14-917(a)(4), concerning the time of
27 special elections for initiative and referendum elections, is amended to read
28 as follows:

29 (4) Time of Special Election. The county court shall fix the
30 date for the conduct of any special elections on referendum measures. The
31 date shall be not less than thirty (30) calendar days after the date of the
32 order calling the election. However, where the electors exercise their powers
33 to establish the necessity for a special election, the county court shall
34 order an election ~~not more than forty five (45) calendar days after~~
35 ~~certification of sufficiency by the county clerk, nor~~ according to the dates
36 stated in § 7-5-103, but not less than thirty (30) calendar days after the



1 date of the order calling the election.

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3 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 6-14-102(d), concerning special school
4 elections, is amended to read as follows:

5 (d) The board of directors of any school district shall have the
6 authority to request the county board of election commissioners to call a
7 special election for the purpose of considering a rate of tax for additional
8 millages for maintenance and operations or for debt service as authorized by
9 Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 74, provided that:

10 (1) All constitutional and statutory requirements for a special
11 school election are met;~~and~~

12 (2) The date of the election is approved by the director~~r~~; and

13 (3) The special election is held on the second Tuesday of any
14 month.

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16 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 6-14-105 is amended to read as follows:

17 6-14-105. Special election on petition of school district board of
18 directors.

19 (a) If the board of directors of a school district deems it advisable
20 to hold a special election in the district, the board of directors shall
21 present a petition to the county court of the county of its domicile.

22 (b)(1) If the county court approves of the petition, it shall enter an
23 order fixing a day for the special election, not earlier than thirty (30)
24 days after the date of the order.

25 (2) The county court shall set the date for the special election
26 so that the special election is held on the second Tuesday of any month.

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28 /s/ Madison
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