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4  
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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 672

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EARLY VOTING; TO  
9 END EARLY VOTING ON THE SATURDAY BEFORE AN ELECTION  
10 DAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

14 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EARLY VOTING;  
15 AND TO END EARLY VOTING ON THE SATURDAY  
16 BEFORE AN ELECTION DAY.

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

21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-5-418(a), concerning the times for early  
22 voting, is amended to read as follows:

23 (a)(1)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (a)(1)(B) of this section,  
24 early voting shall be available to any qualified elector who applies to the  
25 county clerk's designated early voting location, beginning fifteen (15) days  
26 before a preferential primary election or general election between the hours  
27 of:

28 (i) 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday;

29 and

30 (ii) 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Saturday ~~and ending~~  
31 ~~at 5:00 p.m. on the Monday before the election.~~

32 (B) ~~Early~~ However, early voting shall not be available on  
33 state ~~or~~ holidays, county holidays, or the Sunday or Monday immediately  
34 before the election day.

35 (2)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (a)(2)(B) of this  
36 section, on all other elections, including the general primary election and



1 general runoff elections, early voting shall be available to any qualified  
2 elector who applies to the county clerk ~~during regular office hours,~~  
3 beginning ~~seven (7) days before the election and ending on the day~~ the Monday  
4 preceding the Monday immediately before the election day ~~at the time the~~  
5 ~~county clerk's office regularly closes.~~

6 (B)(i) If an annual school election is held at the same  
7 time as the preferential primary election or general election, early voting  
8 for the annual school election shall comply with subdivision (a)(1)(A) of  
9 this section.

10 (ii) However, early voting for an annual school  
11 election under subdivision (a)(2)(B)(i) of this section shall not be  
12 available on the Sunday or Monday immediately before the annual school  
13 election day.

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