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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO CREATE THE VOTING AND ELECTIONS
TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2017; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING
ELECTIONS AND VOTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO CREATE THE VOTING AND ELECTIONS
TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2017; AND TO AMEND
THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTIONS AND VOTING.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 7, Chapter 5, Subchapter 9, is amended to add an additional subchapter to read as follows:

Subchapter 9 – Voting and Elections Transparency Act of 2017

7-5-901. Title.
This subchapter shall be known and cited as the "Voting and Elections Transparency Act of 2017".

7-5-902. Uncounted votes.
(a) If for any reason a vote, including an absentee vote and a provisional vote, is not counted under this chapter, the county board of election commissioners shall promptly notify the person who cast the vote.
(b) Notification under subsection (a) of this section shall be written notification and shall state the reason or reasons the vote was not counted.

7-5-903. Voter notification.
(a) Except as otherwise provided under federal law and Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 51, the county clerk shall send written notification to a person when:

(1) A person registers to vote for the first time;

(2) The voter registration of a person becomes inactive; and

(3) A person is removed or purged from a voter registration list.

(b) If a person is removed or purged from a voter registration list under subdivision (a)(3) of this section, he or she has thirty (30) days to challenge the removal.

7-5-904. Election commissioners.

(a) A member of the State Board of Election Commissioners or a county board of election commissioners shall not serve as a poll worker or a poll watcher on behalf of an individual candidate, political party, or ballot initiative.

(b) A person shall not simultaneously serve on the State Board of Election Commissioners and a county board of election commissioners.

7-5-905. Documentation for long-term care or residential care facility residents.

(a) The documentation required to be submitted by a person who is a resident of a long-term care facility or residential care facility licensed by the state under this chapter shall be standardized.

(b) The Secretary of State’s office shall develop, adopt, and make available a standardized form to satisfy the requirements under law concerning the documentation under subsection (a) of this section.

/s/V. Flowers

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