A Bill

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE NAMES OF UNOPOSED CITY CLERK CANDIDATES TO BE INCLUDED ON THE BALLOT; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BALLOTS FOR AN ELECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO REQUIRE THE NAMES OF UNOPOSED CITY CLERK CANDIDATES TO BE INCLUDED ON THE BALLOT; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BALLOTS FOR AN ELECTION.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-5-207(a)(2)(B), concerning the names of unopposed candidates to be placed on the ballot in an election, is amended to read as follows:

(B) The names of all unopposed candidates for the office of mayor, governor, city clerk, and circuit clerk shall be separately placed on the general election ballot, and the votes for mayor, governor, city clerk, and circuit clerk shall be tabulated as in all contested races.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-5-701(a)(2), concerning the declaration of election results for unopposed candidates whose names are included on the ballot, is amended to read as follows:

(2) Unopposed candidates, other than candidates for mayor, governor, city clerk, and circuit clerk, shall be separately declared and
certified to the Secretary of State as elected in the same manner as if the
candidate had been voted upon at the election.

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