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A Bill

SENATE BILL 479

By: Senator K. Hammer
By: Representative Hawk

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VOTER ASSISTANCE;
TO REQUIRE A PERSON ASSISTING A VOTER WITH A
DISABILITY TO PRESENT IDENTIFICATION; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VOTER
ASSISTANCE; AND TO REQUIRE A PERSON
ASSISTING A VOTER WITH A DISABILITY TO
PRESENT IDENTIFICATION.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-5-310(b)(2)(B), concerning who may assist voters with disabilities at the polling machine, is amended to read as follows:

(B) A person named by the voter who:

(i) Is present in the polling site;

(ii) Is eighteen (18) years of age or older; and

(iii) Presents a document or identification card

that meets the requirements established by the State Board of Election Commissioners.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-5-310(b)(5), concerning assisting voters with disabilities, is amended to read as follows:

(5)(A) It shall be the duty of the poll workers at the polling site to make and maintain a list of the names and addresses of all persons



1 assisting voters.

2 (B) The list shall contain the name of the assistor as it
3 appears on the document or identification card presented by the assistor
4 under subdivision (b)(2)(B)(iii) of this section.

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6 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 7-5-310, concerning assisting voters
7 with disabilities, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as
8 follows:

9 (d) The State Board of Election Commissioners shall promulgate rules
10 concerning the required documents or identification necessary to assist a
11 voter with a disability under subdivision (b)(2)(B)(iii) of this section.

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