

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 82nd General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 1999
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As Engrossed: S4/2/99

A Bill

Act 1344 of 1999
HOUSE BILL 1838

5 By: Representatives King, *Bush*
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-5-409(a) PERTAINING
10 TO MATERIALS FURNISHED TO QUALIFIED VOTERS; AND FOR
11 OTHER PURPOSES."
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Subtitle

13 "TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-5-409(a)
14 PERTAINING TO MATERIALS FURNISHED TO
15 QUALIFIED VOTERS."
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 7-5-409(a) is amended to read as follows:

22 "7-5-409. Materials furnished to qualified voters.

23 (a) (1) The county clerk must satisfy himself that the applicant for an
24 absentee ballot is a qualified registered elector in the ward, precinct, or
25 township in which he claims to be a resident or that the applicant is exempted
26 from registration under § 7-5-406.

27 (2) The county clerk shall verify that the application has been
28 properly signed by the applicant and if necessary the designated bearer,
29 relative or authorized agent. If the application is not properly signed, the
30 application shall be rejected by the county clerk. The county clerk shall
31 notify the applicant of the reason for the rejection. If the county clerk is
32 unable to contact the applicant to cure the deficiency, the county clerk shall
33 forward the application with the reason for the rejection to the County Board
34 of Election Commissioners. The County Board of Election Commissioners shall
35 determine whether the applicant is a qualified elector."
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SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

/s/ King

APPROVED: 4/12/1999