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A Bill
Act 1525 of 1999
SENATE BILL 353

By: Senator B. Walker
By: Representative Magnus

For An Act To Be Entitled
"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-1-103 (a) (8) and (a) (9) TO REVI SE THE RESTRI CTI ONS ON CAMPAI GN ACTI VI TIES NEAR POLLI NG PLACES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSE. "

## Subtitle

"AN ACT TO REVI SE THE RESTI RCTI ONS ON
CAMPAI GN ACTI VI TI ES NEAR POLL NG PLACES. "

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

SECTI ON 1. Arkansas Code 7-1-103 (a) (8) and (a) (9) is amended to read as follows:

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"(8) No election official shall do any electioneering on any election day. No person shall hand out or distribute or offer to hand out or distribute any campaign literature or any literature regarding any candidate or issue on the ballot, solicit signatures on any petition, solicit contributions for any charitable or other purpose, or do any electioneering of any kind what soever within one hundred feet ( 100 ) of any polling site on election day;"
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(9) (A) No el ection official acting in his official capacity shall do any el ectioneering on any el ection day or any day on which early voting is allowed. Except as provided in subdivisions (b)(B) and $(C) \underline{(C)}$ of this subdivision (9), no person shall hand out or distribute or offer to hand out or distribute any campaign literature or any literature regarding any candidate or issue on the ballot, solicit signatures on any petition, solicit contributions for any charitable or other purpose, or do any electioneering of

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any ki nd whatsoever in the building or within one hundred feet (100') of the exterior primary exterior entrance used by voters to the buil ding containing the polling place on el ection day;
(b) (B) During early voting days no person shall hand out or distribute or offer to hand out or di stribute any campai gn literature or any literat ure regarding any candi date or issue on the ballot, solicit si gnatures on any petition, solicit contributions for any charitable or ot her purpose, or do any el ectioneering of any kind whatsoever during early voting hours in the buil ding or within one hundred feet (100') of the primary exterior entrance used by voters to the buil ding containing the early voting site win the county clerk's office nor engage in such activities with persons standing in line to vote whether within or without the courthouse;
(c) (C) When the early voting occurs at a facility other than the county clerk's office, no person shall hand out or distribute or offer to hand out or distribute any campaign literature or any literature regarding any candi date or issue on the ballot, solicit signatures on any petition, solicit contributions for any charitable or other purpose, or do any el ectioneering of any kind whatsoever in the buil ding or within one hundred feet (100) of the exterior of primary exterior entrance used by voters to the building containing the polling place on election day;"

SECTI ON 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permant nature are amendat ory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revi si on Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTI ON 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circunstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect ot her 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 decl ared to be severable.

SECTI ON 4. All I aws and parts of Iaws in conflict with this act are hereby repeal ed.
/s/B. Wal ker, et al

