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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1889

5 By: Representative Slinkard  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN  
9 ELECTIONS FOR LOCAL BOARDS OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES; AND  
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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14 TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN  
15 ELECTIONS FOR LOCAL BOARDS OF COMMUNITY  
16 COLLEGES.  
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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 § 6-61-520(b), concerning elections for the  
22 local boards of community colleges, is amended to read as follows:

23 (b)(1) All members shall be elected for terms of six (6) years by the  
24 qualified electors of the community college district at the general election  
25 immediately preceding the expiration of the expiring terms, and the newly  
26 elected members shall take office on January 1 next following the date of  
27 their election.

28 (2)(A) However, the election shall be held at the annual school  
29 election if the community college district is composed solely of one (1) or  
30 ~~more~~ two (2) entire school districts, other than any portion of the school  
31 district that is in another county, and whose boundary is contiguous with  
32 that portion of the school district that is located in the county in which  
33 the community college is located.

34 (B)(i) For those elections held at the annual school  
35 election under subdivision (b)(2)(A) of this section, if no more than one (1)  
36 person files as a candidate for membership on the local board and the



1 question of the rate of millage to be levied for the support of the community  
2 college district is not on the ballot, the local board, by resolution, may  
3 request that the county board of election commissioners open no polling  
4 places on election day so that the election shall be conducted by absentee  
5 ballot and early voting only.

6 (ii) If an election held at the annual school  
7 election under subdivision (b)(2)(A) of this section is conducted by absentee  
8 ballot and early voting only:

9 (a) The election shall be conducted on a  
10 ballot separate from the ballot for the annual school election; and

11 (b) The local board of the community college  
12 shall reimburse the county for the cost of conducting the election by  
13 absentee ballot and early voting. The community college shall pay the  
14 expenses of the election out of its general operation funds under § 6-61-601.

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16 /s/Slinkard

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