Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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By: Representatives Slinkard, Bell

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ALLOW COUNTY CLERKS TO USE ELECTRONIC POLL BOOKS; TO ALLOW COUNTY CLERKS ACCESS TO THE AN ELECTRONIC VOTER REGISTRATION LIST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO ALLOW COUNTY CLERKS TO USE ELECTRONIC POLL BOOKS; TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO MAINTAIN AN ELECTRONIC VOTER REGISTRATION LIST; TO ALLOW COUNTY CLERKS ACCESS TO AN ELECTRONIC LIST.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 7, Chapter 1, Subchapter 101, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(35) "Electronic poll book" means hardware or software or a combination of hardware and software that allows election officials to view voter registration records and voting information during an election at an early voting location or at a polling site on election day.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-5-107 is amended to read as follows:

7-5-107. Use of voter registration lists by poll workers.

(a)(1) In any election conducted in this state, precinct voter registration lists shall be used by poll workers in each polling place.

(2)(A) An electronic poll book may be used by poll workers in each polling place.
(B) The functions of an electronic poll book may include without limitation:

(i) Voter lookup;
(ii) Voter verification;
(iii) Voter identification;
(iv) Precinct assignment;
(v) Ballot assignment;
(vi) Recording when a voter presents himself or herself to an election official and requests a ballot; and
(vii) Redirecting voters to the correct polling site.

(b) Precinct voter registration lists shall contain the name, address including zip code, and date of birth of each registered voter within the precinct, including those who have been designated inactive, the precinct number and county wherein the precinct is located, the name and date of the election, and a space for the voter’s signature.

(c) The following shall be printed at the top of each page of the precinct voter registration list:

“IF YOU SIGN THIS FORM AND YOU ARE NOT A LAWFULLY REGISTERED VOTER, YOU ARE MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT AND MAY BE COMMITTING PERJURY. PERJURY IS PUNISHABLE BY UP TO A $10,000 FINE AND UP TO 10 YEARS IMPRISONMENT.”

/s/Slinkard