

1 State of Arkansas
2 88th General Assembly
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4

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2017

5 By: Representative Ingram
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS REGARDING THE ELECTION OF
9 MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION
10 COMMISSIONERS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 OF MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF
16 ELECTION COMMISSIONERS AND TO DECLARE AN
17 EMERGENCY.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-4-102(e), concerning terms of the members
24 of the county board of election commissioners, is amended to read as follows:

25 (e)(1) ~~Members~~ Except for members of the county board of election
26 commissioners of an Arkansas border county, members of the county board shall
27 serve for a term of three (3) years.

28 (2) As of July 31, 2007, members of the county board shall draw
29 lots for terms so that one (1) member shall serve for a term of one (1) year,
30 one (1) member shall serve for a term of two (2) years, and one (1) member
31 shall serve for a term of three (3) years.

32 (3) Thereafter, all appointments shall be for terms of three (3)
33 years, staggered so that one (1) term expires on January 15 of every year.

34 (4) "Arkansas border county" means a county that is separated by
35 a navigable river from a city and another state that is located in a
36 metropolitan statistical area designated by the United States Census Bureau



1 with a population of at least one million (1,000,000) persons.

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3 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
4 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the proper administration of
5 county elections is essential to the people of this state; that there are
6 certain areas in the state that need the ability to more efficiently operate
7 county elections; and that this act is immediately necessary to ensure that
8 all citizens of this state are properly represented. Therefore, an emergency
9 is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the
10 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective
11 on:

12 (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

13 (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,
14 the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the
15 bill; or

16 (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is
17 overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

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