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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 1151

5 By: Senators Burnett, K. Ingram  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING JUDICIAL ELECTION BALLOT FORMS; AND  
9 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

12 CONCERNING JUDICIAL ELECTION BALLOT  
13 FORMS.  
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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19 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-7-305(c)(1), regarding the ballot form*  
20 *for a judicial election, is amended to read as follows:*

21 *(c)(1)(A) ~~Any~~ A person who ~~shall file files~~ for any an elective office*  
22 *in this state may use not more than three (3) given names, one (1) of which*  
23 *may be a nickname or any other word used ~~for the purpose of identifying to~~*  
24 *identify the person to the voters, and may add as a prefix to his or her name*  
25 *the title or an abbreviation of an elective public office the person*  
26 *currently holds.*

27 *(B) A person may use as the prefix the title of a*  
28 *nonpartisan judicial office in an election for a ~~judgeship~~ nonpartisan*  
29 *judicial office only if ~~the~~:*

30 *(i) The person is currently serving in a nonpartisan*  
31 *judicial ~~position~~ office to which the person has been elected in the last*  
32 *election for the office; or*

33 *(ii) The person:*

34 *(a) Is a candidate for the office of Judge of*  
35 *the Court of Appeals;*

36 *(b) Is currently serving in the office of*



1 Judge of the Court of Appeals as an appointee; and  
2 (c) Has been serving in that position for at  
3 least twelve (12) months.  
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5 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-10-103(f)(1), concerning the ballot form  
6 for a judicial election, is amended to read as follows:

7 (f)(1)(A) A candidate for nonpartisan judicial office may not use more  
8 than three (3) given names, one (1) of which may be a nickname or any other  
9 word used for the purpose of identifying the candidate to the voters.

10 (B)(i) A candidate for nonpartisan judicial office may add  
11 as a prefix to his or her name the title or an abbreviation of an elective  
12 public office the candidate currently holds.

13 (ii) A candidate may use as the prefix the title of  
14 a nonpartisan judicial office in an election for a ~~judgeship~~ nonpartisan  
15 judicial office only if ~~the~~:

16 (a) The candidate is currently serving in a  
17 judicial position to which the candidate has been elected in the last  
18 election for the office; or

19 (b) The candidate:

20 (1) Is a candidate for the office of  
21 Judge of the Court of Appeals;

22 (2) Is currently serving in the position  
23 of Judge of the Court of Appeals as an appointee; and

24 (3) Has been serving in that position  
25 for at least twelve (12) months.

26 (C) A nickname shall not include a professional or  
27 honorary title.

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29 /s/Burnett  
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