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A Bill

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5 By: Representatives Lowery, Ballinger, C. Fite, Hickerson, Petty, Richmond, Rushing, Vaught, Womack,

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For An Act To Be Entitled

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF PERJURY;

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CREATING THE OFFENSE OF CRIMINAL IMPERSONATION IN AN

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ELECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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CONCERNING THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF

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

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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-53-102 is amended to read as follows:

23 5-53-102. Perjury generally.

24 (a) A person commits perjury if in ~~any~~ an official proceeding he or
25 she knowingly:

26 (1) makes ~~Makes~~ a false material statement, ~~knowing it to be~~
27 ~~false,~~ under an oath required or authorized by law; or

28 (2) Applies for or submits an absentee ballot for a city, school
29 district, county, state, or federal election knowing that he or she is
30 unlawfully applying for or unlawfully submitting the absentee ballot.

31 (b) Lack of knowledge of the materiality of the statement is not a
32 defense to a charge of perjury under this section.

33 (c) Perjury is a Class C felony.

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35 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 5, Chapter 55, Subchapter 6, is amended
36 to add a new section to read as follows:



1 5-55-602. Criminal impersonation in an election.

2 (a) A person commits the offense of criminal impersonation in an
3 election if he or she knowingly impersonates another person in an attempt to
4 vote in a *city, school district, county, state, or federal election.*

5 (b) Criminal impersonation in an election is a *Class D* felony.

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