ARKANSAS SENATE

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 2201

"AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PRESENCE OF CANDIDATES AND DESIGNATED POLL WATCHERS AT THE CASTING AND COUNTING OF BALLOTS; TO DEFINE THE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF A POLL WATCHER."

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 2201.

Amend House Bill No. 2201 as engrossed, H3/13/03:

Page 1, delete lines 28 through 36 and substitute the following:

"(a)(1) During the progress of any election in this state, any candidate in person or by representative designated in writing shall have the right to be present within the polling site or room so as to observe and ascertain the identity of those persons presenting themselves to vote for the purpose of challenging any voter who appears for the purpose of casting a ballot. The document designating a representative shall be sufficient if it contains the signature of the candidate and states that the candidate designates the person as a representative and is notarized by a notary attesting that the signature is that of the candidate. No additional requirement shall be imposed for the sufficiency of the document., any group seeking the passage or defeat of a measure on the ballot by representative designated in writing, and any political party with a candidate on the ballot by representative designated in writing may:

(A) Have only one (1) representative present at any one (1) time at each location within a polling site where voters identify themselves to election officials, so as to observe and ascertain the identity of those persons presenting themselves to vote for the purpose of challenging any voter who appears for the purpose of casting a ballot; and

(B) Have only one (1) representative present at any one (1) time at each location within the absentee ballot processing site where absentee ballots are processed, so as to observe and ascertain the identity of absentee voters for the purpose of challenging any absentee vote."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 5 through 7

AND



Page 2, line 8 delete "(3)" and substitute "(2)"

AND

Page 3, line 32 delete "(4)" and substitute "(3)"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 10 through 11 and substitute the following:
 "time may be officially recognized as a poll watcher at each
location within a polling site where voters identify themselves to election
officials;
 Only one (1) poll watcher per candidate, group, or

party at any one time may be officially recognized as a poll watcher at each location within the absentee ballot processing site where absentee ballots are processed;"

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and ______By: Senator Faris _____By: Senator Faris _____By: Senator Faris ______By: Senator Faris _____By: Senator Far

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