

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
87th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2009  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 353**

"TO AMEND AMENDMENT 51 OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION; TO AMEND 7-5-406 TO ALLOW FOR USE OF THE FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT WITHOUT PRIOR REGISTRATION."

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**Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 353.**

Amend Senate Bill No. 353 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 2 and substitute the following:

"voter eligibility requirements and that the applicant does not claim the right to vote in another county or state;"

AND

Page 3, delete line 22 and substitute the following:

"(B) "If you checked "Yes" in response to ~~one or more of~~ either"

AND

Page 8, line 10, delete "active service," and substitute "active duty or service,"

AND

Page 8, delete line 13 and substitute the following:

"(2) Members of the Merchant ~~Marines~~ Marine in the United States while in active duty or service, and"

AND

Page 8, delete lines 16 through 18 and substitute the following:

"dependent is otherwise qualified to vote; and  
(3) Citizens of the United States residing or temporarily ~~residing~~ outside the territorial limits of the United States and the District of"

AND



Page 10, line 10, delete "received ~~less than~~ four (4) days" and substitute "received ~~less than four (4) days~~ by the fourth day"

AND

Page 14, delete lines 30 through 31 and substitute the following:

"As used in this title, unless the context or chapter otherwise requires:"

AND

Page 16, delete lines 21 through 23 and substitute the following:

"(C) As defined in the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act if different from the definition stated herein;"

AND

Page 17, delete line 34 and substitute the following:

"Absentee Voting Act if different from the"

AND

Page 19, delete lines 30 through 32 and substitute the following:

"SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 7-5-406(a), concerning requesting an absentee ballot for members of uniformed services, members of the merchant marine, and citizens temporarily outside of the United States, is amended to read as follows:"

AND

Page 20, delete lines 1 through 7 and substitute the following:

"Voting Act ~~or may use the federal Write-in Absentee Ballot~~ and may vote without prior registration by regular absentee ballot, or by federal Write-in Absentee Ballot without registering, in any ~~primary, special, runoff, or general~~ election held in his or her election precinct if he or she is otherwise eligible to vote in that election:

(1) Members of the uniformed services of the United States while in active duty or service, and their spouses and dependents who, by reason of the active"

AND

Page 20, delete lines 9 through 10 and substitute the following:

"the spouse or dependent is otherwise qualified to vote; and  
(2) Members of the Merchant Marine while in active duty or service and their spouses and"

AND

Page 20, delete line 13 and substitute the following:

"qualified to vote; and"

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and \_\_\_\_\_

By: Senator Faris

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Secretary