

# Hall of the House of Representatives

## 88th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2011

### Amendment Form

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#### Subtitle of House Bill No. 2154

TO REVISE ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF  
ELECTION COMMISSIONERS.

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#### Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 2154

Amend House Bill No. 2154 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Ingram and Slinkard as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Page 3, delete line 2 and substitute the following:

~~"years, staggered so that one (1) term expires on January 15 of each year."~~

(e) A member of the county board shall serve at the pleasure of his or her respective county committee, and a county committee may remove a member of the county board representing the county committee by majority vote of the county committee.

(f) A vacancy on the county board shall be filled by the election of a new member by the county committee of the appropriate party.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-4-103 is amended to read as follows:

7-4-103. Vacancies on state ~~and county boards~~ state board.

(a) In the event of a vacancy or disqualification on the part of any state or county chair for either the majority or minority parties, the state vice chair or county vice chair of the party in which the vacancy occurs shall act as county chair or state chair as the case may be for all of the purposes set out in §§ 7-4-101, ~~7-4-102~~, and this section until a new county chair or state chair is selected by the parties.

(b) In the event that no county chair or county vice chair has been elected in any of the several counties of Arkansas for either the majority party or minority party by the fiftieth calendar day before any general election, then and in that event, the State Board of Election Commissioners shall have authority to elect by majority vote qualified persons from the county committee of the majority or minority party so affected to fill the vacancies whether or not the vacancies are caused by failure to elect or by death, resignation, or disqualification. However, all appointments to fill the vacancies of the county boards of election commissioners shall be terminated immediately upon the election of a county chair or county vice



chair qualified to serve upon the county board of election commissioners as provided in this section.

(c) In the event of a vacancy or disqualification of any third member of a county board who was duly elected by the state board, the chair of the county committee of the majority party shall immediately notify the Chair of the State Board of Election Commissioners of the vacancy or disqualification. Upon receipt of the notification, the chair shall call a meeting of the state board, which shall fill the vacancy from the list of remaining nominees originally submitted by the county committee at any time prior to a general election, except that when the county committee did not submit the list of nominees at least sixty (60) calendar days before a general election, the state board shall nominate and elect by majority vote any resident of the county as the third member at any time prior to a general election."

AND

Appropriately renumber the remaining sections of the bill

The Amendment was read \_\_\_\_\_  
By: Representative Johnston  
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Chief Clerk