ARKANSAS SENATE

89th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2013
Amendment Form

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 1151

CONCERNING JUDICIAL ELECTION BALLOT FORMS.

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Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 1151

Amend Senate Bill No. 1151 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:
"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-7-305(c)(1), regarding the ballot form for a judicial election, is amended to read as follows:

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

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

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

(ii) The person:

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

(b) Is currently serving in the office of Judge of the Court of Appeals as an appointee; and

(c) Has been serving in that position for at least twelve (12) months.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 7-10-103(f)(1), concerning the ballot form for a judicial election, is amended to read as follows:

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

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

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

          <u>(a) The candidate is currently serving in a</u>
<u>judicial position to which the candidate has been elected in the last</u>
<u>election for the office; or</u>
          <u>(b) The candidate:</u>
             <u>(1) Is a candidate for the office of</u>
<u>Judge of the Court of Appeals;</u>
             <u>(2) Is currently serving in the position</u>
<u>of Judge of the Court of Appeals as an appointee; and</u>
             <u>(3) Has been serving in that position</u>
<u>for at least twelve (12) months.</u>
        <u>(C) A nickname shall not include a professional or</u>
<u>honorary title.</u>"

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

By: Senator Burnett

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