

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
90th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2015  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 317**

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SPECIAL ELECTIONS TO FILL VACANCIES; AND TO ALLOW  
CERTAIN UNOPPOSED ELECTED OFFICIALS TO TAKE OFFICE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SPECIAL  
PRIMARY ELECTION.

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**Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 317**

Amend Senate Bill No. 317 as originally introduced:

Add Representative Drown as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, delete line 11, and substitute the following:

"SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Page 1, line 16, delete "AND"

AND

Page 1, delete line 19, and substitute the following:

"PRIMARY ELECTION; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY."

AND

Page 2, delete line 8, and substitute the following:

"election is impractical because of the timing of the vacancy.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the money spent on a special election to fill a vacancy with an unopposed candidate is excessive and unnecessary and that the immediate implementation of this act is necessary to conserve those funds. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,  
the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the



bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."

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

By: Senator Irvin

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Secretary