ARKANSAS SENATE 95th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2025 Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill 353

TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE DATES FOR ELECTIONS; TO AMEND THE DATES OF PRIMARY ELECTIONS, SCHOOL ELECTIONS, AND CERTAIN SPECIAL ELECTIONS; AND TO CHANGE THE DATE OF THE FISCAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill 353

Amend Senate Bill 353 as engrossed S3/10/25 (version: 3/10/25 01:56:31 PM):

Page 1, delete lines 33 through 35, and substitute the following: "(ii) In odd-numbered years, on the:

(a) Second Tuesday in November; or

(b) Second Tuesday in May First Tuesday"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 10 through 14, and substitute the following:

"(2) The seventh day of March for <u>Eighty-nine (89) days before</u> an annual school election held on the second <u>first</u> Tuesday <u>after the first</u> <u>Monday</u> in <u>May March</u> of an odd-numbered year; and

(3) Seventy-two (72) days before an annual school election held on the second Tuesday of November of an odd-numbered year."

AND

Page 4, line 11, delete "7-11-205(a)(1)" and substitute "7-11-205(a)"

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Page 4, delete lines 15 through 19, and substitute the following: "governmental entities as authorized by law shall be held on the second Tuesday of:

(A) First Tuesday after the first Monday in March or November in a year when a presidential election is held; and or

(B) May or Second Tuesday of November of all other years.

(2)(A) Special elections scheduled to occur in a month in which the second Tuesday is on a legal holiday:

(i) In March on the first Tuesday after the first Monday shall be held on the second Tuesday of the month; and

(ii) In November on the second Tuesday shall be held on the third Tuesday of the month.

(B) Special elections held in months in which a preferential primary election or general election is scheduled to occur shall be held on the date of the preferential primary election or general election.

(C) A special election on a measure or question may be scheduled on the second Tuesday of a month, other than the months provided in subdivision (a)(1) of this section, if necessary to comply with the requirements of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and **By: Senator Hester** SSS/SSS - 03-10-2025 05:27:27 **SSS245**

Secretary