

1 INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2013-024

2 State of Arkansas

*As Engrossed: S3/25/13*

3 89th General Assembly

# A Bill

4 Regular Session, 2013

SENATE BILL 1040

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6 By: Senator L. Chesterfield

7 Filed with: Interim Senate Committee on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs

8 pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

## For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 AN ACT TO MAKE POLLING SITES EASILY ACCESSIBLE TO ALL  
11 CITIZENS; TO INCREASE VOTER TURNOUT; TO ALLOW POLLING  
12 SITES TO BE DESIGNATED AT RETAIL STORES; AND FOR  
13 OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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18 TO ALL CITIZENS; TO INCREASE VOTER  
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20 DESIGNATED AT RETAIL STORES.

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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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25 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-5-101(a), concerning polling sites*  
26 *designated by the county board of election commissioners, is amended to read*  
27 *as follows:*

28 *(a)(1) The county board of election commissioners shall:*

29 *(A) Establish election precincts; and*

30 *(B)(i) Designate a polling site for each precinct.*

31 *(ii) A polling site may serve two (2) or more*  
32 *precincts, including parts of precincts.*

33 *(iii) The county board of election commissioners may*  
34 *designate a retail store owned by a private entity as a polling site.*

1                   (2) *Except as provided in § 6-14-106, the designation of polling*  
2 *sites shall be by a unanimous vote of the members of the county board*  
3 *present.*

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5   */s/L. Chesterfield*  
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8 Referred by the Arkansas Senate

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