

State of Arkansas

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

1483

By: Representative Lendall

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE §7-7-105 TO PROVIDE THAT INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE MAY FILE NOMINATION PETITIONS SIGNED BY THREE PERCENT (3%) OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS TO BE DETERMINED BY THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST IN THE LAST GENERAL ELECTION FOR CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code §7-7-105(2) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(2) Any person desiring to be a candidate for office as an independent candidate without political party affiliation may file nomination petitions signed by not less than three percent (3%) of the qualified electors of the district or of the state, as the case may be, as determined by the total number of votes cast in the last preceding general election for all candidates for the Office of Governor. The petitions shall be filed on or before the deadline fixed in the proclamation of the Governor to file and qualify as a candidate for nomination at the special primary elections. If no special primary election is to be held, the Governor shall, in his proclamation, establish the filing period for independent candidates."

SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

