

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **78th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1991**  
4 **By: Representative Mullenix**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

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## 7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE POLITICAL PARTIES TO HOLD THEIR PRIMARY  
9 ELECTIONS JOINTLY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

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13 SECTION 1. When two or more political parties conduct primary elections  
14 within this State, the primary elections shall be conducted jointly at the  
15 same voting places and using the same voting machines, ballots, or other forms  
16 of voting. Each party is entitled to select its own poll workers. If the  
17 parties cannot agree upon the voting places or other necessary details  
18 relating to the elections, the county board of election commissioners shall  
19 decide the controverted matters; provided however that the county board of  
20 election commissioners shall have no authority to waive the requirement of  
21 conducting joint primaries.

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23 SECTION 2. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature  
24 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
25 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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27 SECTION 3. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to  
28 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
29 other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without  
30 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
31 Act are declared to be severable.

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33 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are  
34 hereby repealed.

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