

## A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1041

4 By: Representatives Jones, Curran, Allison, George, Maddox, Hogue, Wagner, Cunningham, Northcutt, Young, McGinnis, Broadway and Trammell

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### For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND 7-1-103 (9) TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN ELECTION  
9 ACTIVITY WITHIN *ONE* HUNDRED FEET OF A POLLING PLACE; AND  
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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### Subtitle

12 "AN ACT TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN ELECTION  
13 ACTIVITY WITHIN *ONE* HUNDRED FEET OF A  
14 POLLING PLACE."  
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 7-1-103 (9)(a), which is a misdemeanor offense  
21 under the election laws, is amended to read as follows:

22 <sup>1</sup>(9) No election official shall do any electioneering on any election  
23 day or any day on which early voting is allowed. Except as provided in (9)(b)  
24 and (c), no person shall hand out or distribute or offer to hand out or  
25 distribute any campaign literature or any literature regarding any candidate  
26 or issue on the ballot, solicit signatures on any petition, solicit  
27 contributions for any charitable or other purpose, or do any electioneering of  
28 any kind whatsoever within one hundred feet (100') of the exterior the  
29 building containing the polling place on election day;

30 (b) During early voting days no person shall hand out or distribute or  
31 offer to hand out or distribute any campaign literature or any literature  
32 regarding any candidate or issue on the ballot, solicit signatures on any  
33 petition, solicit contributions for any charitable or other purpose, or do any  
34 electioneering of any kind whatsoever within the county clerks office nor  
35 engage in such activities with persons standing in line to vote whether within  
36 or without the courthouse;

1           (c) When the early voting occurs at a facility other than the county  
2 clerks office, no person shall hand out or distribute or offer to hand out or  
3 distribute any campaign literature or any literature regarding any candidate  
4 or issue on the ballot, solicit signatures on any petition, solicit  
5 contributions for any charitable or other purpose, or do any electioneering of  
6 any kind whatsoever within one hundred feet (100 ) of the exterior of the  
7 building containing the polling place on election day;"

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9           SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent  
10 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas  
11 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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13           SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
14 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
15 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
16 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
17 act are declared to be severable.

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

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/s/Rep. Jones, et al

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