

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 82nd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 1999

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1766

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5 By: Representative Sheppard  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-1-101 TO REDEFINE THE  
10 TERM POLITICAL PARTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

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13 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-1-101 TO  
14 REDEFINE THE TERM POLITICAL PARTY."  
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 7-1-101(1) is amended to read as follows:

20 "(1)(A) 'Political party' means any group of voters which, at the  
21 last-preceding general election, polled for its candidate for Governor in the  
22 state or nominees for presidential electors at least ~~three percent (3%) of the~~  
23 ~~entire vote~~ ten thousand (10,000) votes cast for the office.

24 (B) No group of electors shall assume a name or designation  
25 which is so similar, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, to that of an  
26 existing political party as to confuse or mislead the voters at an election.

27 (C) When any political party fails to obtain ~~three percent~~  
28 ~~(3%) of the total~~ at least ten thousand (10,000) votes cast at an election for  
29 the office of Governor or nominees for presidential electors, it shall cease  
30 to be a political party;"  
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32 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
33 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
34 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.  
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36 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to

1 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
2 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
3 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
4 act are declared to be severable.

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

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