

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

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 353

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5 By: Senator B. Walker
6 By: Representative Magnus

For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-1-103 (a)(8) and
11 (a)(9) TO REVISE THE RESTRICTIONS ON CAMPAIGN
12 ACTIVITIES NEAR POLLING PLACES; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSE. "

Subtitle

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16 "AN ACT TO REVISE THE RESTRICTIONS ON
17 CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES NEAR POLLING PLACES. "

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

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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 7-1-103 (a)(8) and (a)(9) is amended to read
23 as follows:

24 ~~"(8) No election official shall do any electioneering on any election~~
25 ~~day. No person shall hand out or distribute or offer to hand out or distribute~~
26 ~~any campaign literature or any literature regarding any candidate or issue on~~
27 ~~the ballot, solicit signatures on any petition, solicit contributions for any~~
28 ~~charitable or other purpose, or do any electioneering of any kind whatsoever~~
29 ~~within one hundred feet (100') of any polling site on election day; "~~

30 (9)(A) No election official acting in his official capacity shall do any
31 electioneering on any election day or any day on which early voting is
32 allowed. Except as provided in subdivisions (b)(B) and (c)(C) of this
33 subdivision (9), no person shall hand out or distribute or offer to hand out
34 or distribute any campaign literature or any literature regarding any
35 candidate or issue on the ballot, solicit signatures on any petition, solicit
36 contributions for any charitable or other purpose, or do any electioneering of

1 any kind whatsoever in the building or within one hundred feet (100') of the
2 exterior primary exterior entrance used by voters to the building containing
3 the polling place on election day;

4 (b) (B) During early voting days no person shall hand out
5 or distribute or offer to hand out or distribute any campaign literature or
6 any literature regarding any candidate or issue on the ballot, solicit
7 signatures on any petition, solicit contributions for any charitable or other
8 purpose, or do any electioneering of any kind whatsoever during early voting
9 hours in the building or within one hundred feet (100') of the primary
10 exterior entrance used by voters to the building containing the early voting
11 site within the county clerk's office nor engage in such activities with
12 persons standing in line to vote whether within or without the courthouse;

13 (c) (C) When the early voting occurs at a facility other
14 than the county clerk's office, no person shall hand out or distribute or
15 offer to hand out or distribute any campaign literature or any literature
16 regarding any candidate or issue on the ballot, solicit signatures on any
17 petition, solicit contributions for any charitable or other purpose, or do any
18 electioneering of any kind whatsoever in the building or within one hundred
19 feet (100') of the ~~exterior of~~ primary exterior entrance used by voters to the
20 building containing the polling place ~~on election day;~~"

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

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

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

34 /s/ B. Walker, et al