

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1679

By: Representative Rankin

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-5-205 CONCERNING WHEN
TO COUNT WRITE-IN CANDIDATE VOTES; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-5-205
CONCERNING WHEN TO COUNT WRITE-IN
CANDIDATE VOTES.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 7-5-205 is amended to read as follows:
7-5-205. Write-in candidates' votes - When counted.

No votes for write-in candidates in general elections shall be counted
or tabulated unless:

(1) The ~~the~~ candidate or his agent shall notify in writing the county
board of election commissioners and either the Secretary of State, if a state
or district candidate, or a county clerk, if a candidate for a county or
township office, of his intention to be a write-in candidate not later than
sixty (60) days before the election day; and

(2) The name written on the ballot is the same name listed on the
write-in candidate's political practice pledge, except that any abbreviation,
misspelling, or other minor variation in the form of the name of the
candidate shall be disregarded if the intention of the voter may be
ascertained.