1   State of Arkansas   *As Engrossed: H3/13/03 H3/14/03 S3/26/03*
2   84th General Assembly   **A Bill**
3   Regular Session, 2003   HOUSE BILL   2326
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5   By: Representatives Wood, Ferguson
6   *By: Senator Salmon*
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9   **For An Act To Be Entitled**
10   AN ACT TO ALLOW CITIES TO ESTABLISH FILING
11   DEADLINES FOR CANDIDATES THAT ARE INDEPENDENT OR
12   OTHERWISE NONPARTISAN IN AN ELECTION FOR
13   MUNICIPAL OFFICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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15   **Subtitle**
16   AN ACT TO ALLOW CITIES TO ESTABLISH
17   FILING DEADLINES FOR CANDIDATES THAT ARE
18   INDEPENDENT OR OTHERWISE NONPARTISAN IN
19   AN ELECTION FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICE.
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22   BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24   SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-42-206(e), concerning municipal primary
25   elections, is amended to read as follows:
26   (e)(1) The governing body of any city of the first class, city of the
27   second class, or incorporated town may enact an ordinance requiring
28   independent candidates for municipal office to file petitions for nomination
29   as independent candidates with the county clerk no *earlier than twenty (20)*
30   *days prior to the preferential primary election and no* later than noon on the
31   day before the preferential primary election.
32   (2) The governing body may establish this filing deadline for
33   municipal offices even if the municipal offices are all independent or
34   otherwise nonpartisan.
35   (2)(3) The ordinance shall be enacted no later than ninety (90)
36   days prior to the filing deadline. The ordinance shall be published at least

1   once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks immediately following adoption of

2   the ordinance in a newspaper having a general circulation in the city.

3   */s/ Wood*

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