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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1283

5 By: Representatives House, *D. Altes, J. Burris, Davis, Gillam, Gossage, Kerr, Lea, Leding, Nickels,*
6 *Sabin, Slinkard, Wardlaw*
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROTECT A SERVICE MEMBER'S LAST VOTE; TO
10 ALLOW A VOTE CAST BY ABSENTEE BALLOT BEFORE THE DEATH
11 OF A VOTER TO BE COUNTED; TO REPEAL A PORTION OF THE
12 ABSENTEE BALLOT LAW; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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17 BEFORE THE DEATH OF A VOTER TO BE
18 COUNTED; AND TO REPEAL A PORTION OF THE
19 ABSENTEE BALLOT LAW.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-5-416(c), concerning the death of a voter
26 after the absentee ballot is cast but before it is counted, is repealed.

27 *(c)(1) ~~If~~ Except as provided in subdivision (c)(2) of this section, if*
28 *~~any~~ a person casting an absentee ballot dies before the polls open on*
29 *election day, his or her vote shall not be counted.*

30 *(2) An absentee ballot cast by a member of the United States*
31 *Armed Forces assigned to military duty outside of the United States shall be*
32 *counted if he or she dies before the polls open on election day.*
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35 /s/House
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