

For An Act To Be Entitled AN ACT CONCERNING THE FILLING OF VACANCIES IN CERTAIN MUNICIPAL ELECTIVE OFFICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

CONCERNING THE FILLING OF VACANCIES IN CERTAIN MUNICIPAL ELECTIVE OFFICES.

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § $14-45-103$ is amended to read as follows: 14-45-103. Vacancies.

The town council shall have power to fill vacancies which may oceur in elective offices of the town or on the council from qualified electors of the town, who shall hold their appointments until the next biennial election and until their successors are elected and qualified. (a) When a vacancy occurs in the office of alderman in an incorporated town, at the first regular meeting after the occurrence of the vacancy, the town council shall elect by a majority vote of the town council an alderman to serve for the unexpired term.
(b) When a vacancy occurs in the office of mayor in an incorporated town, at the first regular meeting after the occurrence of the vacancy, the town council shall:
(1) Elect by a majority vote of the aldermen a mayor to serve the unexpired term; or
(2) (A) Call for a special election to be held in accordance with §7-11-101 et seq. to fill the vacancy.
(B) At the special election, a mayor shall be elected to complete the unexpired term.
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