

1 State of Arkansas  
2 89th General Assembly  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1743

5 By: Representatives Steel, Gillam  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO ALLOW VOTERS TO SELECT CERTAIN CANDIDATES  
9 FROM A SINGLE BALLOT; TO REFORM ELECTION LAWS AND  
10 PROCEDURES; TO ESTABLISH AN OPEN BLANKET PRIMARY TO  
11 ENSURE THE ELECTION OF THE MOST QUALIFIED CANDIDATE;  
12 TO SAVE PUBLIC MONEY AND RESOURCES BY REDUCING THE  
13 NUMBER OF ELECTIONS AND ELECTION ADMINISTRATION  
14 COSTS; TO AMEND PORTIONS OF ARKANSAS LAW RESULTING  
15 FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990 AND INITIATED ACT 1 OF  
16 1996; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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19 TO ESTABLISH AN OPEN BLANKET PRIMARY TO  
20 ENSURE THE ELECTION OF THE MOST QUALIFIED  
21 CANDIDATE; AND TO REFORM ELECTION LAWS  
22 AND PROCEDURES TO PRESERVE PUBLIC MONEY  
23 AND RESOURCES.  
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27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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29 SECTION 1. The purpose of this act to establish an open blanket  
30 primary system in Arkansas.  
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