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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1114

5 By: Representatives Lowery, Ballinger, C. Fite, Hickerson, Petty, Richmond, Rushing, Vaught, Womack
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF PERJURY;
9 CREATING THE OFFENSE OF CRIMINAL IMPERSONATION IN AN
10 ELECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

13 CONCERNING THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF
14 PERJURY AND CREATING THE OFFENSE OF
15 CRIMINAL IMPERSONATION IN AN ELECTION.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-53-102 is amended to read as follows:

22 5-53-102. Perjury generally.

23 (a) A person commits perjury if in ~~any~~ an official proceeding he or
24 she knowingly:

25 (1) makes ~~Makes~~ a false material statement, ~~knowing it to be~~
26 ~~false,~~ under an oath required or authorized by law; or

27 (2) Applies for an absentee ballot for a city, county, state, or
28 federal election in a name other than his or her own name.

29 (b) Lack of knowledge of the materiality of the statement is not a
30 defense ~~to a charge of perjury~~ under this section.

31 (c) Perjury is a Class C felony.
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33 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 5, Chapter 55, Subchapter 6, is amended
34 to add a new section to read as follows:

35 5-55-602. Criminal impersonation in an election.

36 (a) A person commits the offense of criminal impersonation in an



1 election if he or she knowingly impersonates another person in an attempt to
2 vote in a city, county, state, or federal election.

3 (b) Criminal impersonation in an election is a Class C felony.

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