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A Bill

SENATE BILL 557

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9 Lundstrum, Maddox, McCollum, McGrew, McNair, S. Meeks, Payton, Penzo, Pilkington, Richmond,
10 Rye, B. Smith, S. Smith, Speaks, Vaught, Warren, Watson, Wing, Wooten
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For An Act To Be Entitled

12 AN ACT TO AMEND ELECTION LAW; TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF
13 MEMBERS OF A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS;
14 TO CLARIFY THE DUTIES OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES DESIGNATED
15 AS ELECTION OFFICIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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29 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 7-4-107(a), concerning the duties of a
30 county board of election commissioners, is amended to add an additional
31 subdivision to read as follows:

32 (6)(A) Supervise all election officials.

33 (B) The supervision of election officials may be delegated
34 by an affirmative vote of a quorum of all members of the county board of
35 election commissioners.
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1 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 7, Chapter 4, Subchapter 1, is amended
2 to add an additional section to read as follows:

3 7-4-122. County employees detailed as election official.

4 (a) A county employee detailed as an election official shall comply
5 with directives of the county board of election commissioners in matters
6 related to an election.

7 (b) A county board of election commissioners may assign to other
8 election officials the supervision of election officials by an affirmative
9 vote of a quorum of all members of the county board of election
10 commissioners.

11 (d) A county board of election commissioners may not change a duty
12 delegated to a county employee if that duty is expressly governed by state or
13 federal law.

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