1 State of Arkansas

2 90th General Assembly

A Bill

3 Regular Session, 2015   SENATE BILL 510

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5 By: Senator Elliott

6 By: Representative V. Flowers

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8   **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9   AN ACT TO ALLOW A SIXTEEN (16) YEAR OLD TO

10   PREREGISTER TO VOTE; TO AMEND AMENDMENT 51 OF THE

11   ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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14   **Subtitle**

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16   PREREGISTER TO VOTE; AND TO AMEND

17   AMENDMENT 51 OF THE ARKANSAS

18   CONSTITUTION.

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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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23   SECTION 1. Amendment 51, § 9, of the Arkansas Constitution is amended

24 to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

25   (m)(1) A person who has reached sixteen (16) years of age but who will

26 not reach eighteen (18) years of age by the date of the next election may

27 preregister to vote using any means of registration available to a person of

28 voting age.

29   (2) The preregistered person's registration will become

30 automatically active when the preregistered person reaches eighteen (18)

31 years of age.

32   (3) If a person has preregistered to vote, he or she may update

33 his or her preregistration to vote using the means of updating registration

34 available to a person of voting age.

35   (4) A person preregistering to vote under this subsection (m)

36 shall make the following self-affirmation in writing submitted with his or

her registration application: "I, _____(name)_____, do solemnly affirm that
I am a citizen of the United States and that on the date of the first
election at which I vote I will have attained the age of eighteen (18) years
and resided in the state of Arkansas at least thirty (30) days and in
____(precinct)_____ at least thirty (30) days before the election. I further
affirm that the present address I listed in my registration materials is my
sole legal place of residence and that I claim no other place as my legal
residence.".