

Act 498 of the 1989 Regular Session.

Act 498

SB459

By: Senator Fitch

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 14-282-102 TO ESTABLISH AN ADDITIONAL METHOD OF ESTABLISHING AN AMBULANCE SERVICE DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 14-282-102 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof an additional subsection to read as follows:

"(e) An ambulance service improvement district that is co-extensive in area with county or county judicial district boundaries may be created by an ordinance of the quorum court. The ordinance shall designate the area to be served. The ordinance shall also set forth the method the ambulance service district shall assess the persons residing therein or the property owners having property located therein. An assessment of up to 2 mills may be levied by the quorum court in the ambulance service district area.

The ordinance shall further specify that the matter shall be referred to the electors of the affected area not less than sixty (60) days and not more than ninety (90) days after the passage of the ordinance and before any taxes are levied, assessed or collected. In the event the referred ordinance is approved, it shall be in full force and effect upon certification of the election results by the county election commission. An ambulance service district created by this procedure shall be exempt from the assessment procedures set out in A.C.A., Chapter 282. The taxes collected, pursuant to the ordinance shall be administered by the county as an enterprise fund, but shall be levied and collected as county taxes."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

APPROVED: March 13, 1989

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