1 State of Arkansas A Bill **ACT 243 OF 1993** 2 79th General Assembly SENATE BILL 21 3 Regular Session, 1993 **By: Senator Hardin** 5 6 For An Act To Be Entitled 7 "AN ACT TO AMEND THE LOCAL OPTION LAW TO INCREASE FROM g THIRTY PERCENT TO THIRTY-EIGHT PERCENT THE NUMBER OF 9 SIGNATURES NECESSARY TO CALL A WET/DRY ELECTION; AND FOR 10 OTHER PURPOSES." 11 12 **Subtitle** 13 "TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED 14 ON PETITIONS CALLING WET/DRY ELECTIONS." 15 16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 17 18 SECTION 1. Subsections (a) and (b) of Arkansas Code 3-8-205 are hereby amended 19 to read as follows: 2.0 "(a) When thirty-eight percent (38%) of the qualified electors, as shown on the voter 21 registration records of the county, shall file petitions with the county clerk of any county within this state, praying that an election be held in a designated county, township, municipality, 23 ward, or precinct, to determine whether or not licenses shall be granted for the manufacture or sale, or the bartering, loaning, or giving away of intoxicating liquor within the designated territory, the county clerk, within ten (10) days thereafter, shall determine the sufficiency of 26 the petition. 2.7 (b) If it is found that thirty-eight percent (38%) of the qualified electors have signed the 28 petition, the county clerk shall certify that finding to the county board of election commissioners and the question shall be placed on the ballot in such county, township, 30 municipality, ward, or precinct at the next biennial general election as provided in 3-8-101." 31 32 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are 33 amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision 34 Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code. 35

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| 1 | SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or |
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| 2 | circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of |
| 3 | the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end |
| 4 | the provisions of this act are declared to be severable. |
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| 6 | SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed. |
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