Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

1	State of Arkansas		
2	81st General Assembly A Bill	ACT 235 OF	1997
3	Regular Session, 1997	SENATE BILL	115
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5	By: Senators Russ, Beebe, Hoofman, Walters, Bradford, Dowd, Canada, Hopkins, Webb, Bell, Ross, Scott, and	nd Fitch	
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled		
9	"AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 81 OF TITLE 20 OF THE ARKANSAS		
10	CODE TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS		
11	AFFAIRS TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE AN ARKANSAS STATE		
12	VETERANS CEMETERY SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."		
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14	Subtitle		
15	"ARKANSAS STATE VETERANS CEMETERY		
16	SYSTEM."		
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18	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:		
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20	SECTION 1. Chapter 81 of Title 20 of the Arkansas Code i	s amended b	У
21	inserting an additional section at the end thereof to read as f	ollows:	
22	<u>"20-81-112.</u>		
23	(a) The Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs is autho	prized to	
24	establish and maintain an Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery Syst	em to serve	the
25	veterans, spouses and eligible dependents of the veterans of Ar	kansas.	
26	(b) The Department of Veterans Affairs is authorized to	employ such	
27	staff to operate this cemetery system as it deems appropriate a	and as may be	e
28	authorized by biennial appropriation.		
29	(c) The Department of Veterans Affairs shall:		
30	(1) Promulgate appropriate guidelines for determin	ing eligibi	lity
31	for burial.		
32	(2) Establish such accounts as are necessary to the	e orderly	
33	administration of the state veterans cemetery system.		
34	(3) Develop plans and programs which will provide	for initial	
35	establishment of sites to meet greatest need, and provide for t	heir orderl	Y
36	expansion.		

1	(4) Make such applications to Federal agencies, as the U.S.
2	Department of Veterans Affairs, and receive such Federal funding as is
3	available, to establish and operate this cemetery system."
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5	SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent
6	nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
7	Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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9	SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
10	any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
11	other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
12	the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
13	act are declared to be severable.
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15	SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
16	hereby repealed.
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