1	State of Arkansas
2	81st General Assembly ACT 265 OF 1997
3	Regular Session, 1997 SENATE BILL 250
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5	By: Senator Harriman
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled
9	"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 22-6-601 PERTAINING TO SALE
10	OF STATE LANDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."
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12	Subtitle
13	"TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 22-6-601
14	PERTAINING TO SALE OF STATE LANDS."
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16	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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18	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 22-6-601(c) is amended to read as follows:
19	"(c)(1) In the event a state agency elects to sell certain of its
20	lands, the agency shall certify to State Building Services its proposal for
21	any sale.
22	(2) The Director of State Building Services state agency proposing
23	the sale of land shall obtain the services of a qualified appraiser to
24	appraise the lands so proposed to be sold, with notice to the agency <u>Director</u>
25	of State Building Services.
26	(A) The appraiser selected by the Director of State Building Services
27	state agency, by education or experience, shall:
28	(i) Be capable of determining the value of lands, water and mineral
29	rights, timber, and rural, agricultural, and noncultivatable lands;
30	(ii) Understand legal descriptions of real properties;
31	(iii) Have a working knowledge of county and state real property
32	records; and
33	(iv) Be capable of rendering dependable judgments of the values of
34	properties, determining the flood plains of the properties, and of previous
35	uses of the properties which may result in environmental remediation.
36	(B) The appraiser should be a certified member of the American

- 1 Institute of Real Estate Appraisers shall be licensed and certified by the
- 2 Arkansas Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board.
- 3 (C) The appraiser shall take an oath or certify that he will not,
- 4 directly or indirectly, be engaged in the purchase of the land or give
- 5 information to any agent, friend, secret partner, or other partner so as to
- 6 secure advantages of such information to himself or any person, association,
- 7 or company to the prejudice or exclusion of any other person."

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- 9 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 22-6-601(d) is amended to read as follows:
- 10 "(d)(1) The Director of State Building Services shall furnish to the
- 11 Governor:
- 12 (A) The appraisal;
- 13 (B) The agency proposal to sell; and
- 14 (C) State Building Services' recommendations.
- 15 (2) The Governor, if he approves the proposed sale, shall endorse his
- 16 approval of the proposal and transmit a copy of the proposal to the
- 17 Construction Administrator Director of State Building Services."

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- 19 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 22-6-601(e) is amended to read as follows:
- 20 "(e)(1) The Construction Administrator of State Building Services shall
- 21 give notice of the terms of the sale by publication in one (1) newspaper
- 22 regularly published in Little Rock, Arkansas, and having a general circulation
- 23 in the State of Arkansas, by four (4) weekly insertions therein.
- 24 (2) If there is a newspaper published in the county in which the lands
- 25 are located having a general circulation therein, the notice shall also be
- 26 published in that newspaper one (1) time a week for four (4) consecutive
- 27 weeks, provided the land may be advertised for sale as a whole or in separate
- 28 tracts."

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- 30 SECTION 4. Arkansas code 22-6-601(i) is amended to read as follows:
- 31 "(i)(1) Upon receipt from the successful bidder of the full amount of
- 32 his bid, the state agency shall execute and deliver its deed conveying the
- 33 lands to him and shall certify a copy of the deed to the Governor.
- 34 (2) The deed shall recite in detail the compliance with the respective
- 35 provisions of this section, which recitals shall be prima facie evidence of
- 36 the facts so set forth.

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(3) The deed need not be acknowledged to entitle it to be recorded.
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       (4) The effect of the deed, the provisions of this section having been
 3 substantially complied with in the sale, shall be to vest the purchaser with
 4 the title of the lands, at law and in equity, in fee simple absolute.
         (5) Any conveyance of title to lands owned by the State of Arkansas
   shall be subject to 8 22-6-113."
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         SECTION 5. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
 9 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
10 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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         SECTION 6. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
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13 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
14 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
15 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
16 act are declared to be severable.
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         SECTION 7. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
19 hereby repealed.
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