Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism Act 595- Monthly Written Updates October 27, 2021

Act 777

Arkansas Cultural Institutions Trust Fund

- Summary of Rule: Creates a trust fund administered by the Division of Arkansas Heritage to support major capital improvement projects at Arkansas Cultural Institutions.
- Status Update: Currently drafting rules and working internally with the Division of Heritage as to application and distribution process for the grant program.
- New Rule

Act 1003

An Act to Create the Arkansas State Capitol and Historical Monument Protection Act

- Summary of Rule: Provides for the preservation of historical monuments on public property and the State Capitol area and limits the removal of these monuments.
- Status Update: Staff within the Arkansas State Archives, a part of the Division of Arkansas Heritage, reviewing draft of rules. The rules include a guidance for process for (1) application for a waiver from the requirements of Ark. Code Ann. § 22-3-2104(a)(1); (2) approval of a temporary waiver on an emergency basis; (3) establish guidelines regarding what will be designated as a historical monument; (4) create an application process for registering historical monuments erected after the effective date of the section; and (5) establish guidelines for the disposition of historical monuments if a waiver is granted to remove a historical monument.
- New Rule