

State of Arkansas

77th General Assembly

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

Third Extraordinary Session, 1989

CALL ITEM 1089

By: Representatives Barclay, Flanagan, and Matthews

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ACT 903 OF 1989 CONCERNING THE
CONFIDENTIALITY OF LIBRARY RECORDS TO SUSPEND THE EFFECTIVE
DATE TO ALLOW SYSTEMATIC IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REQUIREMENTS
OF THE ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Act 903 of 1989 is hereby amended by adding the following new section:

"SECTION 5. In order to permit ample time for all libraries in this state to convert to automated or Gaylord type circulation systems as required by Act 903 of 1989, the provisions of Act 903 of 1989 shall not apply to any library until conversion is completed but shall apply to all libraries covered by the act no later than July 1, 1991."

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 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. Emergency. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that Act 903 of 1989 imposed new restrictions concerning confidentiality of library materials, that implementation of requirements of Act 903 of 1989 involves conversion to an automated or Gaylord type circulation system, that Act 903 of 1989 became effective July 3, 1989, which did not provide ample time for implementation, that it is in the best interests of the citizens of this state that libraries be given sufficient

time to convert their circulation systems before being required to comply with the provisions of the Act, that this act should become effective immediately upon its passage to suspend the provisions of Act 903 of 1989 until such time as libraries convert to the required circulation system. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.