

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **78th General Assembly**  
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4 **By: Senator Walters**

# A Bill

**SENATE BILL**

## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO PROHIBIT ANY PERSON OR ORGANIZATION FROM  
9 PROVIDING LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICES FOR COMPENSATION UNLESS  
10 AUTHORIZED BY THE ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT; AND FOR OTHER  
11 PURPOSES."

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

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15 SECTION 1. It is unlawful for any person or organization to operate a  
16 lawyer referral service without prior approval of the Arkansas Supreme Court.  
17 Lawyer referral service means referring clients to attorneys and receiving  
18 compensation for the referral.

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20 SECTION 2. Any court of competent jurisdiction may order any person or  
21 organization violating this Act to cease and desist from operating a lawyer  
22 referral service. Any person or entity failing to comply with the court order  
23 shall be deemed in contempt of court and subject to such punishment as  
24 prescribed by the court.

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26 SECTION 3. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature  
27 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
28 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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30 SECTION 4. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to  
31 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
32 other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without  
33 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
34 Act are declared to be severable.

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1           SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are  
2 hereby repealed.

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