

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**

A Bill

SENATE BILL

4 **By: Senators Bradford, Russ, Gordon, Harriman, Scott, Walters and Dowd**

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION TO
9 RATIFY THE CALL OF A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION WITH THE
10 AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO DRAFT A PROPOSED
11 CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; FOR OPERATIONAL
12 EXPENSES FOR SUCH CONVENTION; AND FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION
13 TO RATIFY THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF
14 ARKANSAS."

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

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18 SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated, to be payable from the
19 Constitutional Officers Fund, to the Auditor of State, to defray the cost of a
20 special election to ratify the call of a Constitutional Convention with the
21 authority and responsibility to draft a proposed Constitution of the State of
22 Arkansas, of a special election to ratify the proposed Constitution of the
23 State of Arkansas and for operating expenses of such convention, the
24 following:

25 For costs of special elections, the sum of \$1,500,000;

26 For operating costs of the Constitutional Convention, the sum of ... \$800,000.

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28 SECTION 2. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy Eighth
29 General Assembly that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas has not been
30 reviewed in its entirety for some time; that the people of this State should
31 be given the opportunity to decide on whether or not to have a constitutional
32 convention at a special election; that the convention, if called, will need to
33 be provided with operating expenses; that a special election will be required
34 to vote on the proposals of the Convention. Therefore, an emergency is hereby
35 declared to exist and this act being necessary for the immediate preservation

1 of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from
2 and after the date of its passage and approval.

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