

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**
4 **By: Senator Walters**

A Bill

SENATE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH TEN (10) YEAR GOALS FOR THE STATE OF
9 ARKANSAS; TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
10 COMMISSION (AIDC) TO IDENTIFY WAYS AND MEANS OF
11 ACCOMPLISHING THOSE GOALS; AND FOR OTHER 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. The following are hereby determined and declared by the
16 General Assembly to be the economic development goals for the State of
17 Arkansas to be achieved by the year 2000:

18 (a) increase per capita income to eighty-five percent (85%) of the
19 United States average;

20 (b) increase average annual pay to eighty-five percent (85%) of the
21 United States average;

22 (c) reduce the duration of unemployment to under ten (10) weeks;

23 (d) reduce the unemployment rate to the national average;

24 (e) increase health insurance coverage to seventy-five percent (75%) of
25 the workforce;

26 (f) decrease the poverty rate to less than fourteen percent (14%) of
27 the families in this State; and

28 (g) increase the rate of new business formation to that of the United
29 States average.

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31 SECTION 2. The Arkansas Industrial Development Commission (AIDC) is
32 hereby directed to identify ways and means of achieving the goals stated in
33 this Act and to report to the Legislative Council no later than January 1,
34 1993 its findings and recommendations as to the ways and means of achieving
35 the goals stated in this Act.

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SECTION 3. Every agency and institution of this State shall cooperate fully with the AIDC in carrying out the mandate of this Act and the AIDC shall report to the Legislative Council regarding any State agencies or institutions that fail to cooperate as required by this Act.

SECTION 4. 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 5. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

