

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1046

4 *By: Representatives Calhoun and Flanagin*

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 15-22-914 TO RETURN TO
9 THE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS AND REGIONAL WATER DISTRICTS
10 ONE-HALF OF THE ANNUAL FEES FOR SURFACE WATER AND
11 GROUNDWATER REGISTRATION TO AID THE DISTRICTS IN THE COST
12 OF ADMINISTERING WATER CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
13 PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

16 "AN ACT TO RETURN TO THE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS AND
17 REGIONAL WATER DISTRICTS ONE-HALF OF THE ANNUAL
18 REGISTRATION FEES TO AID THE LOCAL DISTRICTS."

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

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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 15-22-914 is hereby amended to read as
23 follows:

24 "15-22-914. Disposition of earnings and fees.

25 (a) Fees, penalties, and other funds collected under this subchapter
26 shall be deposited in the Arkansas Water Development Fund, established by §
27 15-22-507.

28 (b) One-half (1/2) of the annual registration fees assessed for each
29 surface water withdrawal and for each groundwater withdrawal under § 15-22-913
30 shall be returned to the conservation district or regional water district in
31 which the registered water source is located for use by the districts in
32 administering this subchapter and other water conservation and development
33 programs, including but not limited to the operation and maintenance of a
34 local district office.

35 (c) The remaining one-half (1/2) of the annual registration fees

1 assessed for each surface water withdrawal and for each groundwater withdrawal
2 under § 15-22-913 and all penalties and other funds collected under this
3 subchapter shall be used as follows:

4 (1) two-thirds (2/3) for an education and information program and
5 cost sharing for water conservation and development; and

6 (2) the remaining one-third (1/3) for the administration of this
7 subchapter and the commission may transfer a portion of those funds to the
8 districts' delegated authority under this subchapter as it deems necessary."
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10 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature
11 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
12 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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14 SECTION 3. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to
15 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect
16 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
17 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this
18 act are declared to be severable.

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20 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
21 hereby repealed.

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/s/Calhoun, et al

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