

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
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4 **By: Representative Dawson**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL 1340**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A FORESTRY  
9 MUSEUM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

### Subtitle

12 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A FORESTRY  
13 MUSEUM."

15 WHEREAS, museums preserve our heritage for the benefit, enjoyment, and  
16 education of the citizens of all ages and from every community in Arkansas;  
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18 WHEREAS, museums are unique cultural resources through the preservation,  
19 exhibition, and documentation of historically, scientifically, and  
20 artistically significant facts and artifacts; and

21 WHEREAS, museums provide a unique educational tool which can directly  
22 supplement the state's educational system through demonstrating the use and  
23 significance of said artifacts; and

24 WHEREAS, the *forestry and timber* industry has provided a significant  
25 number of jobs and income in the State of Arkansas;

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27 NOW THEREFORE,

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

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30 SECTION 1. (a) *The Arkansas Forestry Commission and the Arkansas*  
31 *Department of Parks and Tourism and a member of the House appointed by the*  
32 *Speaker of the House and a member of the Senate appointed by the President Pro*  
33 *Tempore are jointly authorized to study the feasibility of establishing a*  
34 *State Historical Museum to be known and operated as the "Arkansas Forestry*  
35 *Museum".*

1           (b) The feasibility study shall be completed prior to July 1, 1994.

2           (c) The feasibility study shall determine the size of the facility  
3 needed and construction cost estimates for said facility.

4           (d) The feasibility study shall determine the annual costs to maintain  
5 and operate the museum.

6           (e) The feasibility study shall identify areas of responsibility for  
7 the Forestry Commission and Parks and Tourism for funding, planning,  
8 construction, staffing, operating and maintaining the museum.

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10           SECTION 2. The feasibility study shall define the mission and scope of  
11 the Arkansas Forestry Museum with respect to the acquisition, cataloging,  
12 preservation, exhibition and interpretation of records, tools, equipment,  
13 machinery, and materials used by foresters and the timber industry in  
14 Arkansas.

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16           SECTION 3. The feasibility study shall determine the methods and  
17 criteria for selecting the site for the museum.

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19           SECTION 4. The feasibility study shall determine the organization,  
20 size, geographic representation, state agency representation, timber industry  
21 representation, term limits, and authority for a "Forestry Museum Advisory  
22 Committee".

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24           SECTION 5. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
25 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
26 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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28           SECTION 6. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
29 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
30 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
31 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
32 act are declared to be severable.

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34           SECTION 7. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
35 hereby repealed.

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/s/Rep. Dawson

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