

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**
4 **By: Representative Bisbee**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE BAILIFFS FOR THE CIRCUIT, CHANCERY, AND
9 CIRCUIT-CHANCERY COURTS OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL
10 DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

13 "TO PROVIDE BAILIFFS FOR THE CIRCUIT, CHANCERY, AND
14 CIRCUIT-CHANCERY COURTS OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL
15 DISTRICT."

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

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19 SECTION 1. (a) The circuit, chancery, and circuit-chancery judges of
20 the Nineteenth Judicial District may each appoint one (1) court bailiff.

21 (b)(1) The duties of the bailiffs shall include the supervision and
22 maintenance of order in their respective courtrooms, providing security for
23 the judges, officers of the court, jurors, and other individuals involved in
24 court proceedings, administer oaths, and other incidental and related duties
25 at the direction of the respective judge.

26 (2) When acting within the scope of their duties, the court
27 bailiffs shall exercise all the powers necessary and proper to the performance
28 of their duties including the powers of a deputy sheriff, the power to make
29 arrests, carry a weapon, and serve summons.

30 (3) The bailiffs may maintain law enforcement certification
31 existing or acquired during their service as bailiff.

32 (c) The pay of the bailiffs shall be determined by the quorum courts.
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34 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent
35 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas

1 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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3 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
4 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
5 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
6 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
7 act are declared to be severable.

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10 hereby repealed.

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12 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General
13 Assembly that the circuit, chancery, and circuit-chancery judges of the
14 Nineteenth Judicial District should be provided bailiffs as are other courts
15 in the state, to maintain order and provide security for the judge, jury,
16 witnesses and defendants, and that this act is immediately necessary.
17 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being
18 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
19 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and
20 approval.

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