

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

# A Bill

**SENATE BILL**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED §16-31-103 TO  
9 EXEMPT CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS FROM JURY DUTY;  
10 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

13 "AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS FROM  
14 JURY DUTY."

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

18 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated §16-31-103 is amended to read as  
19 follows:

20 "§16-31-103. Exemptions from service.

21 (a) Any person may be excused from serving as a grand or petit juror or  
22 a jury commissioner for such period as the court deems necessary when the  
23 state of his health or that of his family reasonably requires his absence; or  
24 when, for any reason, his own interests or those of the public will, in the  
25 opinion of the court, be materially injured by his attendance.

26 (b) The following persons will not be required to serve as grand or  
27 petit jurors if they object to serving and make their objections known to the  
28 court prior to being sworn: practicing physicians, nurses, dentists,  
29 optometrists and pharmacists."

31 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
32 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
33 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

35 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to

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

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7 hereby repealed.

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