

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
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4 **By: Senator Ross**

A Bill

SENATE BILL 27

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED 12-9-209 TO
9 CLARIFY WHEN COUNTIES, CITIES AND TOWNS MUST PAY
10 REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE COSTS OF TRAINING A LAW ENFORCEMENT
11 OFFICER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

14 "AN ACT TO CLARIFY WHEN COUNTIES, CITIES AND TOWNS MUST
15 PAY REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE COSTS OF TRAINING A LAW
16 ENFORCEMENT OFFICER."

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

20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated 12-9-209 is amended to read as
21 follows:

22 "12-9-209. Counties, cities, etc. - Reimbursement for training costs.

23 (a) If any county, city, or town pays the cost or expenses for training
24 a law enforcement officer at the Law Enforcement Training Academy and another
25 county, city, or town, or an agency of the State of Arkansas employs that
26 officer within eighteen (18) months after completion of the training in a
27 position requiring a certificate of training from the Law Enforcement Training
28 Academy, the state, agency, county, city, or town so employing the officer, at
29 the time of employing the officer, shall reimburse the county, city, or town
30 for all or a portion of the expenses incurred by the county, city, or town for
31 the training of the law enforcement officer at the academy, unless the law
32 enforcement officer has been terminated by the county, city or town which paid
33 the costs or expenses of training, *in which case*, no reimbursement is required
34 from any county, city or town hiring the officer. *Reimbursement* may only be
35 sought from the *first* county, city or town which employs the officer after the

1 county, city or town which paid the costs or expenses of training.

2 Reimbursement shall include any salary, travel expenses, food, lodging, or
3 other costs required to be paid by the county, city, or town, as follows:

4 (1) If the person is employed within two (2) months after
5 completion of the training, the employing agency shall reimburse the total
6 cost of the training;

7 (2) If the person is employed more than two (2) months but not
8 more than six (6) months after completion of the training, the employing
9 agency shall reimburse eighty percent (80%) of the cost of the training;

10 (3) If the person is employed more than six (6) months but not
11 more than ten (10) months after completion of the training, the employing
12 agency shall reimburse sixty percent (60%) of the cost of the training;

13 (4) If the person is employed more than ten (10) months but not
14 more than fourteen (14) months after completion of the training, the employing
15 agency shall reimburse forty percent (40%) of the cost of the training;

16 (5) If the person is employed more than fourteen (14) months but
17 not more than eighteen (18) months after completion of the training, the
18 employing agency shall reimburse twenty percent (20%) of the cost of the
19 training.

20 (b) If any county, city, or town or a state agency which employs an
21 officer whose training expense was paid by another county, city, or town fails
22 to make reimbursement for the expenses as required in subsection (a) of this
23 section, the county, city, or town entitled to reimbursement shall notify the
24 State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall then withhold the amount of the
25 reimbursement due for training the officer from the county or municipal aid of
26 the employing county, city, or town or from funds appropriated to the
27 employing state agency and shall remit the amount to the county, city, or town
28 which is entitled to the reimbursement under the provisions of this section."
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30 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
31 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
32 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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34 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
35 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect

1 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
2 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
3 act are declared to be severable.

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

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/s/ Senator Ross

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