

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**

A Bill

SENATE BILL

4 **By: Senate Committee on Aging & Legislative Affairs**

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "TO CREATE A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE
9 ORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; AND FOR
10 OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

13 "TO CREATE A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE
14 ORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES."

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

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18 SECTION 1. There is hereby created a special committee of the General
19 Assembly which shall be known as the DHS Study Committee. The committee shall
20 be composed of the following: the chairman and vice-chairman of the House and
21 Senate committees on Aging and Legislative Affairs; the chairman and vice-
22 chairman of the House and Senate committees on Public Health, Welfare and
23 Labor; the chairman and vice-chairman of the House and Senate committees on
24 State Agencies and Governmental Affairs; four (4) members of the House to be
25 appointed by the Speaker; and four (4) members of the Senate to be appointed
26 by the President Pro Tem of the Senate. The President Pro Tem of the Senate
27 shall designate one of his appointees as co-chairman of the committee and the
28 Speaker shall designate one of his appointees as co-chairman of the committee.
29 The President Pro Tem and the Speaker shall serve as ex-officio members of
30 the committee.

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32 SECTION 2. The committee shall conduct a study of the organization of
33 the Department of Human Services.

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35 SECTION 3. Members of the committee shall receive per diem and mileage

1 at the same rate as prescribed for members attending joint interim committees
2 of the General Assembly and such expenses shall be paid from unallocated funds
3 appropriated for the payment of per diem and mileage for members attending
4 meetings of joint interim committees.

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6 SECTION 4. The Bureau of Legislative Research shall provide staff for
7 the committee.

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9 SECTION 5. The committee shall report its preliminary findings to the
10 Governor no later than December 31, 1993, and the committee shall cease to
11 exist on December 31, 1994.

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13 SECTION 6. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
14 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
15 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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

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23 SECTION 8. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
24 hereby repealed.

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26 SECTION 9. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General
27 Assembly that a study of the organization of the Department of Human Services
28 should be conducted; that the study is of such complexity that a special
29 committee should be created as soon as possible to commence the study; that
30 this act creates such committee; and that this act should go into effect as
31 soon as possible in order to allow the committee to form as soon as possible.

32 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being
33 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
34 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and
35 approval.

