

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2210

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 18-28-218 TO PROVIDE  
11 THAT A PORTION OF THE FUNDS IN THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY  
12 FUND ARE TO BE SET ASIDE FOR USE BY CITIES AND TOWNS  
13 WITH POPULATIONS UNDER FIVE THOUSAND (5,000) TO COMBAT  
14 CRIME; TO CREATE AN ADVISORY BOARD TO ADMINISTER THE  
15 FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

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18 "TO PROVIDE THAT A PORTION OF THE FUNDS  
19 IN THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY FUND ARE TO BE  
20 USED BY SMALL CITIES AND TOWNS TO COMBAT  
21 CRIME."

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

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27 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 18-28-218(c) is amended to read as follows:

28 "(c) At least once each fiscal year, the Auditor of State shall  
29 transfer to the general revenues of the state all funds that have been  
30 collected and held for a full three (3) years, less the amount transferred to  
31 the State Central Services Fund, or its successor fund or fund account, as  
32 required by this subchapter, as follows:

33 (1) One third (33.33%) of those funds remaining, not to exceed  
34 one million dollars (\$1,000,000) in any one (1) year, will be transferred into  
35 a special cash fund account to be known as the 'Small Cities and Towns Crime  
36 Prevention Fund'. The Auditor of State will serve as the disbursing agent and

1 such funds shall be deposited in accounts in one (1) or more financial  
 2 institutions authorized to do business in this state to be administered in  
 3 accordance with the laws of this state pertaining to the appropriation,  
 4 administration and expenditure of cash funds. This fund will be targeted for  
 5 use by qualifying municipal police departments in cities and towns with a  
 6 population of five thousand (5,000) or less to combat crime against at-risk  
 7 elderly, children, families and juveniles.

8 (A) This fund shall be administered by a seven (7) member  
 9 advisory board, to be appointed by the Governor, consisting of one (1) member  
 10 from the Governor's office, one (1) member from the Auditor of State's office,  
 11 one (1) member from each of the four (4) congressional districts, and one (1)  
 12 member at large. The Governor shall appoint two (2) members to serve on one  
 13 (1) year terms, two (2) members to serve two (2) year terms, and three (3)  
 14 members to serve three (3) year terms. Subsequent appointments shall be for  
 15 three (3) year terms. The board shall annually elect a chairman and other  
 16 officers the board shall determine appropriate.

17 (B) This is a voluntary board, and no member will receive  
 18 any compensation for their service on the board.

19 (C) The board is authorized to promulgate rules and  
 20 regulations for disbursement of the fund, and shall seek to secure matching  
 21 grant money when available.

22 (2) The balance of these funds, if any, shall be transferred to  
 23 the general revenues of the state."

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

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

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