

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 84th General Assembly
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1730

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5 By: Representative Weaver
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ALL FINES LEVIED ON
10 PERSONS CONVICTED OF GAME AND FISH VIOLATIONS
11 SHALL GO TO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND TO BE USED BY
12 THE COUNTY FOR CONSERVATION AND CONSERVATION
13 EDUCATION PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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20 PROGRAMS.
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 15-41-209 is amended to read as follows:
27 15-41-209. Fines, fees, and costs.

28 (a) All fines assessed against and collected from persons convicted
29 for infractions of any of the state laws protecting game, fish, fur-bearing
30 animals, or fresh water mussels shall be paid to the county treasurer or the
31 municipal court clerk of the county wherein the fine is assessed and
32 forwarded, as provided, to the ~~Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission~~ county
33 treasurer where the offense occurred.

34 ~~(b)(1) The county treasurer or municipal court clerk shall give his~~
35 ~~receipt to any person paying the fine or to any officer of the court making~~
36 ~~settlement of fines collected.~~



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1 ~~(2)(A) At the end of each four (4) months, in April, August, and~~
2 ~~December, county treasurers or municipal court clerks shall file a report and~~
3 ~~forward all fines collected under the provisions of this chapter to the~~
4 ~~Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission.~~

5 ~~(B) The report, filed on forms provided by the Arkansas~~
6 ~~State Game and Fish Commission, shall include:~~

- 7 ~~(i) The name of each defendant;~~
- 8 ~~(ii) The court case number;~~
- 9 ~~(iii) The name of the arresting officer; and~~
- 10 ~~(iv) The amount of the fine.~~

11 (b) The fines collected by the county treasurer shall go the county
12 general fund and shall be used by the county solely for conservation and
13 conservation education within the intent of Amendment 35 of the Arkansas
14 Constitution.

15 ~~(c) The Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission shall, upon receipt~~
16 ~~thereof, deposit the same with the Treasurer of State who shall deposit the~~
17 ~~moneys as special revenues in the Game Protection Fund.~~

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19 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 19-6-301(63), concerning the enumerated
20 special revenues of Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, is amended to
21 read as follows:

22 (63) Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission licenses, fees, tags, and
23 permits ~~and fines~~, all as authorized by Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 35,
24 annual resident hunting and fishing licenses, §§ 15-42-104 and 15-42-110; all
25 interest earned on Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission funds, § 15-41-
26 110; all fees, compensation, or royalties for mineral leases or permits for
27 lands held in the name of the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, § 22-
28 5-809(c)(3); ~~all assessed fines as set out in § 15-41-209;~~ and forty-five
29 percent (45%) of the additional one-eighth of one percent (1/8 of 1%) sales
30 and use tax authorized by the Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 75;

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