

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 2696

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5 By: Representative Ledbetter
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT CONCERNING ADDITIONAL FEES TO BE CHARGED
10 BY BAIL BOND COMPANIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 CHARGED BY BAIL BOND COMPANIES.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-19-301(e), concerning premiums for bail
20 bonds, is amended to read as follows:

21 ~~(e) The administrative and regulatory fees imposed on professional~~
22 ~~bail bond companies under this section shall be in addition to all other~~
23 ~~fees, taxes and assessments, and penalties licensed professional bail bond~~
24 ~~companies pay the State of Arkansas through the department or other state~~
25 ~~agencies under other laws.~~

26 (e)(1) In addition to the premiums, compensation, and fees allowed in
27 subsections (a) and (d) of this section, beginning July 1, 2003, each bail
28 bond company shall charge and collect as a non-refundable fee, for the
29 Arkansas Public Defender Commission, one percent (1%) of the bond.

30 (2) All fees collected shall be forwarded to the county
31 treasurer to the credit of the Public Defender User Fee Fund.

32 (3) The county treasurer shall remit all of the fees under this
33 subsection (e) to the Public Defender Commission on forms provided by the
34 Commission.

35 (4) The Public Defender Commission shall deposit the money
36 collected into the State Central Services Fund to be used exclusively for the



1 benefit of the Arkanss Public Defender Commission entitled "Public Defender
2 User Fees."

3 (5) The fees collected by the bail bond companies required under this
4 subsection (e) shall be reported and filed with the Public Defender
5 Commission twenty (20) days after the end of each month.

6 (6) A notarized annual reconciliation of all fees collected in the
7 preceding calendar year shall be filed by each bail bond company by February
8 15th on forms provided by the Public Defender Commission.

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