

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  
3 Regular Session, 2003

# A Bill

SENATE BILL 734

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5 By: Senator Malone  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS OF COMMODITIES  
10 AND SERVICES FOR ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING;  
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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14 AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS OF  
15 COMMODITIES AND SERVICES FOR ETHICS IN  
16 PUBLIC CONTRACTING.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 19-11-701(3), concerning the definition of  
22 commodities as it applies to ethics in public contracting, is amended to read  
23 as follows:

24 (3) "Commodities" means ~~commodities as defined in the Arkansas~~  
25 ~~Purchasing Law, § 19-11-201 et seq.~~ all property, including, but not limited  
26 to, equipment, printing, stationery, supplies, insurance, and real property;  
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28 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 19-11-701(15), concerning the definition of  
29 services as it applies to ethics in public contracting, is amended to read as  
30 follows:

31 (15) "Services" means ~~services as defined in the Arkansas~~  
32 ~~Purchasing Law, § 19-11-201 et seq.~~ the furnishing of labor, time, or effort  
33 by a contractor; and  
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35 SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
36 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that although Arkansas Code § 19-



1 11-709(d) prohibits former state employees from entering into professional or  
2 consultant contracts with the state for one (1) year period, the current  
3 definitions provide a loophole to this provision, and allows such contracts;  
4 that this act is necessary to close this loophole; and that this act is  
5 immediately necessary to maintain the integrity of the process and the  
6 citizens confidence in awarding public contracts. Therefore, an emergency is  
7 declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the  
8 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective  
9 on:

- 10 (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;
- 11 (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,  
12 the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the  
13 bill; or
- 14 (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is  
15 overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

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