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HOUSE BILL 1213

By: Representatives Walker, Brown, Lendall, Townsend and McGee

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 1-5-101 TO ALLOW EACH STATE EMPLOYEE THE OPTION OF CHOOSING ROBERT E. LEE'S BIRTHDAY OR THEIR OWN BIRTHDAY AS A STATE HOLIDAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 1-5-101(a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(a) The following days are declared to be the sole official holidays applicable to state government in Arkansas:

- (1) New Year's Day - January 1;
- (2) Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday - the third Monday in January;
- (3) Robert E. Lee's Birthday - the fourth Monday in January, or at the employee's option, the employee's Birthday;
- (4) George Washington's Birthday - the third Monday in February;
- (5) Memorial Day - the last Monday in May;
- (6) Independence Day - July 4;
- (7) Labor Day - the first Monday in September;
- (8) Veterans Day - November 11;
- (9) Thanksgiving Day - the fourth Thursday in November;
- (10) Christmas Eve - December 24;
- (11) Christmas Day - December 25.

The offices of state government shall remain open on the fourth Monday in January."

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

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.