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SENATE BILL 194

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For An Act To Be Entitled

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20 AN ACT TO AMEND SEVERAL PROVISIONS OF THE LAW
21 CONCERNING MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND FOR
22 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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26 TO AMEND SEVERAL PROVISIONS OF THE LAW
27 CONCERNING MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL
28 ASSEMBLY.
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31 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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33 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 10-2-224 is amended to read as follows:
34 10-2-224. Compensation for attendance at national or regional
35 conferences.

36 (a) When the General Assembly is in recess for a period of two (2)



1 weeks or more, a member of the General Assembly is:

2 (1) Authorized to attend national or regional conferences under
3 the same conditions as apply to the attendance at the conferences after sine
4 die adjournment of the General Assembly; and

5 (2) Entitled to receive reimbursement from the same sources and
6 under the same conditions for conferences occurring after sine die
7 adjournment for:

8 (A) Reasonable and necessary expenses for:

9 (i) Travel;

10 (ii) Meals; and

11 (iii) Lodging; and

12 (B) Other authorized expenses.

13 (b)(1) A member of the General Assembly may travel to a national or
14 regional conference by commercial airplane, private vehicle, or other
15 approved method of transportation.

16 (2)(A) Reimbursement for out-of-state travel is the lesser rate
17 of reasonable airfare or the established rate of private car mileage based on
18 map mileage when driven.

19 (B) Travel authorized by a chair of a legislative
20 committee shall also be subject to approval by the Speaker of the House of
21 Representatives or the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

22 (C) When the Speaker of the House of Representatives or
23 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate provides the written authorization to
24 travel, the Speaker of the House of Representatives or his or her designee or
25 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or his or her designee shall
26 determine the amount of reimbursement in dollars and cents.

27 (3)(A) A member of the General Assembly who prefers to be
28 reimbursed for travel to a national or regional conference by a mode of
29 transportation other than private vehicle or commercial airplane shall submit
30 a request for reimbursement to the Speaker of the House of Representatives or
31 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate in a manner established respectively
32 by the Speaker of the House or Representatives or the President Pro Tempore
33 of the Senate.

34 (B) A member of the General Assembly who submits a request
35 for reimbursement under subdivision of (b)(3)(A) of this section shall be
36 reimbursed at a rate documented in writing and approved by the Speaker of the

1 House of Representatives or the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

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3 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 21-1-402(f), concerning registration as a
4 lobbyist by a former member of the General Assembly, is amended to read as
5 follows:

6 (f)(1) A former member of the General Assembly shall not be eligible
7 to be registered as a lobbyist under § 21-8-601 et seq. until one (1) year
8 after the expiration of the term of office for which he or she was elected.

9 (2) Subdivision (f)(1) of this section applies to all persons
10 elected to the General Assembly on or after the effective date of this act.

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12 /s/Bookout

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15 **APPROVED: 02/18/2011**