

**REPORT OF THE SPECIAL LANGUAGE SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE
JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE**

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Thursday March 1, 2018

Mr. Chairman:

Your Special Language Subcommittee met on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 and makes the following recommendation listed below to the Joint Budget Committee.

1. The following amendment is recommended for approval and the amendment is RELEASED from the Subcommittee:

A. HB1084 – Department of Environmental Quality (Attachment 1 – WFP065)

Respectfully submitted by Subcommittee Co-Chairs Senator Missy Irvin and Representative Douglas House.

Hall of the House of Representatives

91st General Assembly - Fiscal Session, 2018

Amendment Form

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1084

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY APPROPRIATION FOR
THE 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. ___ to House Bill No. 1084

Amend House Bill No. 1084 as originally introduced:

Insert an additional SECTION immediately following SECTION 49 to read as follows:

" SECTION 50. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL, AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRUST FUND CONTRIBUTION FEES.

(a) For purposes of collecting trust fund contribution fees under § 8-4-203(b), the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality shall treat a public facilities boards and public water authorities as municipal systems.

(b) This section expires on June 30, 2019."

AND

Appropriately renumber the subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill

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Insert an additional SECTION immediately following SECTION 52 to read as follows:

" SECTION 54. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality requires public facilities boards and public water authorities to pay a trust fund contribution fee; that requiring public facilities boards and public water authorities to pay a trust fund contribution fee is contrary to legislative intent; and that this act is immediately necessary because public entities are being harmed by the department's interpretation of the law regarding trust fund contribution fees. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and Section 50 of this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

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

The Amendment was read _____
By: Representative Lemons
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Chief Clerk