

"AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION i. OF SECTION 4 OF ACT 41 OF 1941, AS AMENDED [ARK. STATS. SECTION 20-704 i.] TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SURBURBAN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE AMBULANCE SERVICES TO PERSONS IN THE DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Subsection i. of Section 4 of Act 41 of 1941, as amended, the same being Arkansas Statutes Section 20-704 i., is hereby amended to read as follows:

"i. To own, acquire, construct, reconstruct, extend, equip, improve, maintain and operate hospitals and/or to acquire appropriate vehicles and equipment for and maintain and operate ambulance services;"

SECTION 2. It is the purpose and intent of this Act to amend the Surburban Improvement District Law to specifically authorize the establishment of surburban improvement districts under Act 41 of 1941, as amended, for the purpose of providing ambulance services to persons residing in the district.

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 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that because of the case Ricarte v. State, CR 86-31, a question has arisen over the validity of Act 1213 of the Extended Session of 1976; that this Act is a reenactment of the former law; and that the immediate passage of this Act is necessary to clarify the state of the law on this issue. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

APPROVED: April 14, 1987

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