Act 760 HB1776

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS STATUTE 71-2804 TO EXEMPT FROM THE SOCIAL WORK LICENSING ACT CERTAIN SPECIALISTS EMPLOYED BY THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Section 4 of Act 791 of 1981, the same being Arkansas Statute 71-2804, is hereby amended by adding two additional paragraphs at the end thereof to read as follows:

- "(c) (1) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to require any person to be licensed as a 'licensed Social Worker' who engaged in the practice of a speciality as an employee of any agency or department of the State in the job classifications of Family Service Worker and Social Service Worker, but only when engaged in that practice as an employee of such an agency or department.
- (2) Furthermore, it is the intent of the General Assembly to restrict licensure to those individuals that are represented to be social workers. It is not the intent of the General Assembly to license persons such as State employees in the job classifications of Social Service Workers and Family Service Workers."

SECTION 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

APPROVED: April 7, 1987