Act 972 of the 1987 Regular Session

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   "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT AS VACANCIES OCCUR ON THE BOARD OF
   CORRECTION THE GOVERNOR SHALL FILL SUCH VACANCIES IN A MANNER
   THAT WILL PROVIDE FOR ONE MEMBER TO SERVE FROM EACH CONGRES-
   SIONAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE AND ONE MEMBER FROM THE STATE
   AT-LARGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

   SECTION 1. Whenever a vacancy shall occur on the Board of Correction due
to expiration of a term, death, resignation or other cause, the Governor shall
name a successor member who resides in a congressional district that is not
represented on the Board of Correction, in such manner that, as vacancies
occur, successors shall be appointed in a manner that one member of the Board
of Correction shall be a resident of each congressional district of the State,
and one member shall represent the State at-large.
   Successors to such members shall be appointed in the same manner as
provided herein for their initial appointment.

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hereby repealed.

   SECTION 3. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General
Assembly that the Department of Correction serves the entire State of Arkansas
and is essential to the public health and safety of the people of this State;
that in order to carry out its duties and responsibilities, the Board of
Correction should consist of members representative of the various areas and
interests of the State, and that the immediate passage of this Act is
necessary to provide, at the earliest possible date that, as vacancies occur,
appointments to the Board of Correction may be made in a manner to accomplish
the objectives of this Act, which are hereby deemed by the General Assembly to
be essential to the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and
welfare of the people of this State. Therefore, an emergency is hereby
declared to exist and this Act, being immediately necessary for the preser-
vation 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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