

Act 859 of the 1989 Regular Session.

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"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987 TITLE 12, CHAPTER 8,  
SECTION 113 TO ESTABLISH A DRUG ABUSE HOT LINE TO BE OPERATED  
BY THE ARKANSAS STATE POLICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code of 1987 12-8-113 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"12-8-113. Drug Abuse Enforcement Unit.

(a) The Director of the Department of Arkansas State Police is directed to establish a Drug Abuse Enforcement Unit and assign sufficient supervisory, clerical, and enforcement personnel to carry out the duties and responsibilities of that unit as defined by Section 5-64-101, et seq.

(b) The Drug Abuse Enforcement Unit shall operate a 'drug abuse hot line' to allow citizens to use a toll free in-watts telephone line to report to the State Police information regarding possible violations of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, Ark. Code of 1987 5-64-101, et seq., and other provisions of Arkansas law relating to unlawful use of drugs. The Arkansas State Police shall encourage citizen involvement in combating drug related crimes by publicizing the existence of the 'drug abuse hot line'."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Seventh General Assembly, that the establishment of a "drug abuse hotline" to be operated by the Arkansas State Police would provide needed assistance in the fight to control the drug problem in the State of Arkansas. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1989.

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