

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
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4 **By: Representative Beatty**

# A Bill

**ACT 542 OF 1993**  
**HOUSE BILL 1674**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 10-3-301, 10-3-403, AND 10-3-502 CONCERNING THE USE OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS IN THE SELECTION OF HOUSE MEMBERS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE AND THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE SELECTION OF HOUSE MEMBERS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE AND THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 10-3-301 (a) is amended to read as follows:

"(a) An ad interim committee of the General Assembly is hereby established as a Legislative Council, which shall consist of thirty-six (36) members to be selected as follows:

(1) The Senate of the General Assembly shall select sometime before adjournment of each regular session twelve (12) members, with three (3) members to be chosen from each of the four (4) congressional districts of the state in effect on January 1, 1987, by caucus of the members of the Senate residing in their respective congressional districts;

(2) The House of Representatives of the General Assembly shall select twenty (20) members in accordance with the procedure prescribed by House rules;

(3) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the immediate past President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the immediate past Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the

1 Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee shall  
2 be ex officio members of the Legislative Council and shall enjoy the same  
3 rights and privileges as other council members."  
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6 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 10-3-403 (a) is amended to read as follows:

7 "(a) The Legislative Joint Auditing Committee shall consist of  
8 thirty-six (36) members of the General Assembly, to be selected as follows:

9 (1) Sometime before adjournment of each regular session, the Senate  
10 shall select twelve (12) members, with three (3) to be chosen from each of the  
11 four (4) congressional districts in effect on January 1, 1987, by caucus of  
12 the Senators residing in the respective congressional districts.

13 (2) The House of Representatives shall select twenty (20) members in  
14 accordance with the procedures prescribed by House rules.

15 (3) The Speaker of the House, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate,  
16 and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Arkansas Legislative Council shall  
17 be ex officio members of the committee and shall enjoy all the rights and  
18 privileges of other members of the committee."  
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20 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 10-3-502(a) and (b), as amended by Act 832 of  
21 1991, are amended to read as follows:

22 "(a) The Joint Budget Committee shall consist of twenty (20) members  
23 and eight (8) alternate members of the House of Representatives and twenty  
24 (20) members of the Senate.

25 (b) The House shall select the members and their alternates in  
26 accordance with the procedure prescribed by House rules."  
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28 SECTION 4. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
29 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
30 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.  
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32 SECTION 5. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
33 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
34 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
35 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this

1 act are declared to be severable.

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3 SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
4 hereby repealed.

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6 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General  
7 Assembly that this act affects the method of selection of members of the House  
8 of Representatives to the Legislative Council, Legislative Joint Auditing  
9 Committee and the Joint Budget Committee; and that this act is immediately  
10 necessary to provide for the proper selection of such members during the  
11 Seventy-Ninth General Assembly. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to  
12 exist and this act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the  
13 public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and  
14 after its passage and approval.

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16 /s/Rep. Beatty

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