1 State of Arkansas A Bill **ACT 921 OF 1993** 2 **79th General Assembly** SENATE BILL 773 3 Regular Session, 1993 4 By: Senator Yates 6 For An Act To Be Entitled 7 "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE POLLUTION CONTROL & ECOLOGY R COMMISSION TO EMPLOYEE A FULL-TIME, INDEPENDENT 9 ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 10 11 Subtitle 12 "AUTHORIZING THE POLLUTION CONTROL & ECOLOGY COMMISSION TO 13 EMPLOYEE A FULL-TIME, INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING 14 15 OFFICER." 17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 18 SECTION 1. (a) The Pollution Control & Ecology Commission shall be 19 20 authorized to hire a full-time administrative hearing officer at Grade 99 to 21 perform such functions and duties as the Commission shall direct and in 22 particular to advise the Commission on matters of law and procedure that may 23 arise during the conduct of Commission duties and responsibilities as outlined § 8-1-203; § 8-4-201; 8-4-202; 8-4-311; 8-5-205; § 24 in Arkansas Code 25 8-6-207 or as otherwise provided by law. (b) The authorized administrative hearing officer shall be selected by 26 27 and hired by the Commission and shall be independent of and not an employee of 28 the Department of Pollution Control and Ecology. Suitable office space and 29 equipment shall be provided the administrative hearing officer and Commission 30 Secretary to perform the duties of the respective positions. The office space 31 shall be at a location other than the office of the Department of Pollution 32 Control and Ecology. The Commission Secretary, now an employee of the Department of 33 34 Pollution Control and Ecology, shall become a full-time employee of the 35 Commission and shall perform such duties as assigned by the Commission

36 including assistance to the administrative hearing officer. The position so

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1 transferred shall be at Grade 17.
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                      All provisions of this act of a general and permanent
         SECTION 2.
 4 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
 5 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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         SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
 8 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
9 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
10 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
11 act are declared to be severable.
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         SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
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14 hereby repealed.
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