

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **80th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1995**
4 **By: Representative Hill**

A Bill

ACT 1015 OF 1995
HOUSE BILL 1775

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED § 16-17-501 TO
9 PROVIDE THAT ANY CITY WITH A POPULATION OF LESS THAN FIVE
10 THOUSAND (5,000) PERSONS MAY CREATE A MUNICIPAL COURT; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

14 "TO PROVIDE THAT ANY CITY WITH A
15 POPULATION OF LESS THAN 5,000 PERSONS
16 MAY CREATE A MUNICIPAL COURT"

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

20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-17-501 is amended to read as
21 follows:

22 "16-17-501. Generally.

23 (a) *Any city with a population of less than two thousand four hundred*
24 *(2,400) persons, according to any federal census, which had a municipal court*
25 *in existence on March 4, 1985, may create a municipal court under this*
26 *subchapter.*

27 (b) *Until July 1, 1995, any city with a population of less than five*
28 *thousand (5,000) persons, according to any federal census, which had a*
29 *municipal court in existence on March 4, 1985, may create a municipal court*
30 *under this subchapter."*

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

36 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to

1 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
2 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
3 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
4 act are declared to be severable.

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7 hereby repealed.

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9 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General
10 Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the City of DeQueen is in need of a
11 municipal court and a municipal judge; that the population of DeQueen is just
12 above the limit set by current law; and that this act will allow DeQueen to
13 create a municipal court immediately. Therefore, an emergency is hereby
14 declared to exist and this act being necessary for the immediate preservation
15 of the public peace, health, and safety, shall be in full force and effect
16 from and after its passage and approval.

17 */s/Rep. Hill*

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19 BECAME LAW WITHOUT GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE: 4-10-95

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