

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

ACT 1259 OF 1997
HOUSE BILL 2086

5 By: Representatives Ferrell, Sheppard, Luker, and Rodgers
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED § 25-10-128 TO
10 EXPAND THE DUTIES OF THE DIVISION OF VOLUNTEERISM IN THE
11 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."
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Subtitle

13 "TO EXPAND THE DUTIES OF THE DIVISION OF
14 VOLUNTEERISM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
15 SERVICES"
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 25-10-128 is amended to read as
21 follows:

22 "25-10-128. Division of Volunteerism.

23 (a) There is created in the Department of Human Services a Division of
24 Volunteerism.

25 (b) Administrative assistance to coordinate the activities of the
26 division shall be given by a Deputy Director for Volunteerism who will devote
27 full time to the duties of the office and assume the responsibility for
28 carrying out the duties prescribed by this section. The deputy director shall
29 employ any employees who are necessary to carry out the goals of the office,
30 subject to appropriation by the General Assembly.

31 (c) The duties and responsibilities of the Division of Volunteerism are
32 as follows:

33 (1) To assess and recognize the needs of communities throughout
34 Arkansas and to recruit, train, and coordinate volunteers and volunteer
35 organizations in meeting those needs;

36 (2) To assist in specific projects involving volunteers to meet

1 community needs;

2 (3) To provide greater public awareness and recognition of
3 volunteer efforts;

4 (4) To assist in devising training programs for use by community
5 organizations which have programs to assist welfare recipients and to assist
6 other divisions of the Department of Human Services in devising and
7 administering programs to match those current and past welfare recipients with
8 any community organizations which desire to assist them.

9 (d) The program and staff of the Division of Volunteerism will be
10 assisted by an advisory council. It will be the responsibility of this
11 council to assist the staff in setting goals, establishing priority
12 activities, performing an advocacy role, and assisting in funding and resource
13 development and publicity and recognition and awards programs. Council
14 members shall be appointed by the Governor from existing state, local, and
15 private agencies which operate volunteer programs and shall serve at the
16 pleasure of the Governor."

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

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22 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
23 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
24 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
25 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
26 act are declared to be severable.

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

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31 /s/Ferrell et al

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33 APPROVED:4-09-97

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