

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

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3 Regular Session, 1999  
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## A Bill

Act 1357 of 1999  
HOUSE BILL 2071

5 By: Representatives Willis, King  
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### For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS SHALL BE CALLED WITH  
10 RESPECT TO CERTAIN COUNTY SALES AND USE TAXES UPON  
11 *PETITION OF THE LEGAL VOTERS OF THE COUNTY*; DECLARING  
12 AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."  
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### Subtitle

14 "TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS SHALL BE  
15 CALLED WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN COUNTY  
16 SALES AND USE TAXES UPON *PETITION OF*  
17 *THE LEGAL VOTERS OF THE COUNTY.*"  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 26-74-207 is amended to read as follows:  
24 "26-74-207. Call for tax election.

25 (a) The county quorum courts may call an election for the levy of a  
26 countywide sales and use tax in the amount of one-fourth of one percent  
27 (.25%), one-half of one percent (0.5%), three-fourths of one percent (.75%),  
28 or one percent (1%). The election shall be held within one hundred twenty  
29 (120) days of the ordinance calling the election.

30 (b) If petitions are filed requesting an election on the question of  
31 the levy of the tax authorized under this subchapter, the quorum court shall  
32 submit the question of the levying of the tax to the electors. The petitions  
33 must be signed by a number of the legal voters in the county which shall be no  
34 less than fifteen percent (15%) of the number of votes cast for the office of  
35 circuit clerk at the last preceding general election. The election shall be  
36 held within one hundred twenty (120) days of the filing of the petitions.

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~~(b)(c)~~ The quorum courts shall notify their respective county board of election commissioners that the measure has been referred to the vote of the people and shall submit a copy of the ballot title to their respective boards."

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

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

*/s/ Willis*

APPROVED: 4/12/1999