

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

Act 111 of 2003
HOUSE BILL 1157

5 By: Representative Walters
6 *By: Senator Wilkinson*
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For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 12-10-318
11 PERTAINING TO EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE
12 CHARGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 12-10-318
15 PERTAINING TO EMERGENCY TELEPHONE
16 SERVICE CHARGES.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-10-318(a) is amended to read as follows:

23 (a)(1)(A) When so authorized by a majority of the persons voting
24 within the political subdivision in accordance with the law, the governing
25 authority of each political subdivision may levy an emergency telephone
26 service charge in the amount assessed by the political subdivision on a per
27 access line basis as of January 1, 1997, or the amount up to five percent
28 (5%) of the tariff rate, except that any political subdivision with a
29 population of less than twenty-seven thousand five hundred (27,500) according
30 to the 1990 Federal Decennial Census may, by a majority vote of the electors
31 voting on the issue, levy an emergency telephone charge in an amount assessed
32 by the political subdivision on a per access line basis as of January 1,
33 1997, or an amount up to twelve percent (12%) of the tariff rate.

34 (B) The governing authority of a political subdivision
35 that has been authorized under subdivision (a)(1)(A) of this section to levy
36 an emergency telephone service charge in an amount up to twelve percent (12%)



1 of the tariff rate, may decrease the percentage rate to not less than four
2 percent (4%) of the tariff rate for those telephone service users that are
3 served by a telephone company with fewer than two hundred (200) access lines
4 in this state as of the date of the election conducted under subdivision
5 (a)(1)(A).

6 (2) The governing authority of the political subdivision may,
7 upon its own initiative, call such a special election.

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/s/ Walters

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