Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.
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By: Representative Davis

For An Act To Be Entitled
AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ANNEXATION WITHIN ONE-HALF MILE OF A STATE PARK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle
TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ANNEXATION WITHIN ONE-HALF MILE OF A STATE PARK.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-40-205 is amended to read as follows:
14-40-205. Territory within one-half mile of state park.
    (a) None of the annexation laws of this state shall have any application do not apply in the area within one-half mile of the boundaries of any a state park located in a county with a population in excess of three hundred fifty thousand (350,000) persons unless the:
        (1) The annexation is approved by a majority of the voters residing within such the one-half mile area, the;
        (2) The area to be annexed is on the opposite side of a navigable river from the state park, or the;
        (3) The area to be annexed is on the opposite side of and south of an existing railroad right-of-way from the state park; or
        (4) The area to be annexed contains a public or private school.
    (b)(1) Any An order of the county court issued in contradiction hereof of this section is void if the order is issued after August 1, 1997.
        (2) However, if any A county court order was issued after August 1, 1997, annexing an area on the opposite side of and south of an existing
railroad right-of-way from a state park, then the county court order is
declared valid and not void.

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