Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

Act 631 of the Regular Session

A Bill

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By: Representative Watson

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT PERMITTING THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING TO MAKE ADDITIONAL SALARY PAYMENTS ABOVE THE BASIC CERTIFICATE LEVEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

PERMITTING THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING TO MAKE ADDITIONAL SALARY PAYMENTS ABOVE THE BASIC CERTIFICATE LEVEL.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 12, Chapter 9, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

12-9-118. Additional salary payment.

(a)(1) The Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training may make additional salary payments from available funds to employees of the commission who have attained law enforcement certification above the basic certificate level, as defined by the commission.

(2) The award of an additional salary payment under this section is contingent upon the:

(A) Existence of sufficient funding independent of funding specifically set aside for other programs within the commission; and

(B) Discretion of the Director of Law Enforcement Standards and Training.

(b)(1) Eligible employees of the commission may be paid up to the
following annual amounts for the respective certifications:

(A) General certificate – three hundred dollars ($300);
(B) Intermediate certificate – six hundred dollars ($600);
(C) Advanced certificate – nine hundred dollars ($900);

and

(D) Senior certificate – one thousand two hundred dollars ($1,200).

(2) Payment of the additional salary amounts may be made
monthly, quarterly, semiannually, or annually depending upon the availability
of funding and is restricted to full-time law enforcement officers employed
by the commission.

(c) Additional salary payments made under this section are considered
part of the employee’s regular income and subject to all applicable
withholding required by law.

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