1 State of Arkansas **A BillACT 213 OF 1991** 2 **78th General Assembly** HOUSE BILL 1584 3 Regular Session, 1991 **By: Representative Cunningham** 4 5 6 For An Act To Be Entitled 7 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987 ANNOTATED §19-9-607 8 TO MODIFY THE PERIOD OF TIME FOR NOTICE WITH RESPECT TO 9 THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE BONDS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND 10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 11 12 13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 14 15 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 19-9-607 is hereby amended to read as follows: 16 "19-9-607. Hearing. No proclamation, order, or ordinance prescribed by 19-9-606 shall be 17 18 entered by the governing body until the governing body, the governmental unit, 19 or the delegate of either shall have conducted a public hearing in the 20 locality to be affected by the issuance of the bonds or, in the case of 21 regional water distribution districts, in the county seat of the county in 22 which the majority of the land lies in the district. At least ten (10) days 23 before the date set for the public hearing, notice of the hearing shall be 24 published one (1) time in a newspaper of general circulation in the locality 25 to be affected or, in the case of regional water distribution districts, in a 26 newspaper of general circulation in each county in which land lies within the 27 boundaries of the district. The notice shall contain a general description of 28 the purpose or purposes for which the bonds are to be issued and the principal 29 amount of the bonds and shall state the date, time, and place of the public 30 hearing." 31 SECTION 2. This Act shall apply to revenue bonds issued after February 32 33 28, 1991. 34 SECTION 3. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature 35 36 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code

1 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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3 SECTION 4. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to 4 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect 5 other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without 6 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this 7 Act are declared to be severable.

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9 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are 10 hereby repealed.

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SECTION 6. EMERGENCY. It has been found and it is hereby declared that present law, requiring publication of notice of fourteen (14) days prior to the authorization of revenue bonds results, in some instances, in hardship and, in the case of changing interest rates, can result in economic loss, particularly in municipalities in which there is not located a daily newspaper; that the effect of the present law is greatly in the public interest; and that present law can be amended as set forth herein without prejudice to its effect. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

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