State of Arkansas 1 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly Act 1354 of 1999 3 Regular Session, 1999 HOUSE BILL 2009 4 By: Representative Jacobs 5 By: Senator Kennedy 6 7 8 For An Act To Be Entitled 9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 16-17-403 TO PERMIT 10 CITIES OR TOWNS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO 11 12 ESTABLISH A MUNICIPAL COURT; TO ELECT A MUNICIPAL JUDGE COUNTY WIDE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 13 14 **Subtitle** 15 "TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 16-17-403 TO 16 PERMIT CITIES OR TOWNS TO ENTER INTO AN 17 18 AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A MUNICIPAL COURT; TO ELECT A MUNICIPAL JUDGE COUNTY 19 WIDE." 20 21 22 23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 16-17-403(a) is amended to read as follows: 25 "(a) Any two (2) or more cities or incorporated towns within the same 26 27 county may, whether or not the county has an established municipal court on 28 March 7, 1973, enter into agreements after the enactment of ordinances 29 therefor by the governing bodies of the respective cities or towns whereby the cities or towns shall each establish a municipal court. The court shall to be 30 31 presided over by a municipal judge to be elected by the combined electors of the respective cities or towns entering into the agreement. 32 However, if the respective cities or towns each provide by ordinance that the judge of the 33 court shall be elected by the voters of the entire county or judicial district 34 35 pursuant to Arkansas Code 16-17-120 or any other law so provides, then the municipal judge shall be elected by the voters of the entire county." 36

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2	SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
3	are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
4	Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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6	SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
7	any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
8	other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
9	the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
10	act are declared to be severable.
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12	SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
13	hereby repealed.
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