State of Arkansas 1 As Engrossed: S4/6/99 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly Act 1456 of 1999 3 Regular Session, 1999 HOUSE BILL 1493 4 5 By: Representatives Vess, *Parks* 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 16-93-103 TO ALLOW 9 PAROLE AND PROBATION OFFICERS TO CARRY FIREARMS AT ALL 10 TIMES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 11 12 Subtitle 13 "TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 16-93-103 TO 14 ALLOW PAROLE AND PROBATION OFFICERS TO 15 CARRY FIREARMS AT ALL TIMES." 16 17 18 19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 16-93-103 is amended to read as follows: 21 22 "16-93-103. Authority of officers to make arrests and carry firearms. (a) All probation officers appointed by a court, excluding juvenile 23 24 probation officers, whether circuit or municipal, and all parole and probation officers employed by the Arkansas Department of Community Punishment, who are 25 currently certified law enforcement officers, may execute, serve, and return 26 all lawful warrants of arrest issued by the State of Arkansas or any political 27 28 subdivision thereof and are otherwise authorized to make lawful arrests as any 29 law enforcement officer of the State of Arkansas. (b) All such parole and probation officers are further authorized to 30 31 carry firearms during all hours in which they are actively pursuing the obligations and duties of the office to which they are appointed or employed, 32 pursuant to selection and training requirements under §§ 12-9-104, 12-9-106, 33 and 12-9-107. 34 35 (c) All such parole and probation officers are further authorized to carry non-state-issued firearms during all hours in which they are not 36

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1	actively pursuing their obligations and duties of the office to which they are
2	appointed or employed, pursuant to the restrictions in Arkansas Code § 5-73-
3	<u>306.</u> "
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5	SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
6	are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
7	Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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9	SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
10	any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
11	other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
12	the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
13	act are declared to be severable.
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15	SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
16	hereby repealed.

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