	Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly. Act 269 of the Regular Session
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled
9	AN ACT CONCERNING THE STORAGE OF WARRANTS BY THE
10	AUDITOR OF STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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12	Subtitle
13	AN ACT CONCERNING THE STORAGE OF
14	WARRANTS BY THE AUDITOR OF STATE.
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17	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 19-4-406 is amended to read as follows:
20	19-4-406. Storage of warrants.
21	(a) <u>(1)</u> The Auditor of State shall place all redeemed warrants in a
22	secure place or vault in the Auditor of State's office, subject to the
23	inspection by any interested citizen.
24	(2)(A) He Except as provided in subdivision (a)(2)(B) of this
25	<u>section, the Auditor of State</u> shall keep <del>them</del> <u>a warrant</u> intact and without
26	further alteration for a period of one (1) year from the close of the fiscal
27	year in which <del>they</del> <u>the warrant</u> <del>were</del> <u>was</u> issued.
28	(B)(i) If the Auditor of State makes an electronic copy of
29	the warrant, the original warrant shall be kept for three (3) months.
30	(ii) The electronic copy of the warrant shall be
31	maintained for a period of ten (10) years from the close of the fiscal year
32	in which the warrant was issued. After this time they may be destroyed,
33	together with the vouchers upon which the warrants were issued, if so
34	authorized by both the Legislative Auditor and the State Historian.
35	(b) If the Legislative Auditor and State Historian <del>do not authorize</del>



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1	the destruction request retention of an original warrant or the electronic
2	copy of a warrant in excess of the time periods provided under subsection (a)
3	of this section, the warrants and vouchers shall be retained by the Auditor
4	of State for such period of time as required by the Legislative Auditor and
5	State Historian.
6	(c) If federal law or regulations require the retention of certain
7	warrants for a period longer than the period prescribed in this section,
8	warrants shall be retained for the period prescribed by the federal law or
9	regulations.
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11	SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
12	General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the storage of original
13	warrants for a prolonged period places a burden on the operations of the
14	Auditor of State and that the provisions of this act will provide a more
15	cost-efficient and effective method of storing warrants, which will
16	correspondingly improve access to warrants. Therefore, an emergency is
17	declared to exist and this act being necessary for the preservation of the
18	public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on July 1, 2007.
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20	APPROVED: 3/9/2007
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