|    | 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.<br>Act 319 of the Regular Session |
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| 1  | State of Arkansas As Engrossed: S1/31/07   |
| 2  | 86th General Assembly A Bill   |
| 3  | Regular Session, 2007HOUSE BILL1104  |
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| 5  | By: Representatives Thyer, Sullivan, Wells   |
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| 8  | For An Act To Be Entitled  |
| 9  | AN ACT CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE  |
| 10 | LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND ITS SUBCOMMITTEES TO MEET  |
| 11 | AND TRANSACT BUSINESS DURING A SESSION OF THE  |
| 12 | GENERAL ASSEMBLY; CONCERNING THE EXECUTIVE   |
| 13 | SUBCOMMITTEE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL; AND FOR   |
| 14 | OTHER PURPOSES.  |
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| 20 | LEGISLATIVE SESSION, AND CONCERNING THE  |
| 21 | EXECUTIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF LEGISLATIVE  |
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| 25 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  |
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| 27 | SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 10-3-301, concerning the Legislative  |
| 28 | Council, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:  |
| 29 | (h)(1) With the consent of both the President Pro Tempore of the   |
| 30 | Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Legislative  |
| 31 | Council may meet during a session of the General Assembly to transact  |
| 32 | business concerning the personnel and operations of the Bureau of Legislative  |
| 33 | <u>Research.</u>   |
| 34 | (2) This subsection (h) does not limit the authority of the  |
| 35 | Legislative Council to meet during a recess as authorized by §§ 10-3-211 or  |



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| 1  | <u>10-2-223.</u>  |
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| 3  | SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 10-3-303(g), concerning the Executive                                      |
| 4  | Subcommittee of the Legislative Council, is amended to read as follows:                               |
| 5  | (g)(1) The Executive Subcommittee may require the Director of the                                     |
| 6  | Bureau of Legislative Research <del>shall</del> <u>to</u> report <del>to</del> and regularly seek the |
| 7  | review and advice of the Executive Subcommittee prior to taking:                                      |
| 8  | (1)(A) Actions Taking actions regarding establishing new,   |
| 9  | repealing, or changing personnel policies pertaining to employees of the                              |
| 10 | bureau;   |
| 11 | <del>(2)(A)</del> (B)(i) Actions <u>Taking actions</u> concerning the hiring                          |
| 12 | or termination of staff, staff promotions, and proposed salary changes;.                              |
| 13 | (B)(ii) Nothing in this section shall be construed  |
| 14 | to create an employment contract, any salary obligation, other obligation, or                         |
| 15 | change in employment status of staff of the bureau from an at-will employment                         |
| 16 | relationship <del>.</del> ; or  |
| 17 | (3)(C) Establishing new, repealing, or changing any other   |
| 18 | policies or procedures of the bureau relating to the delivery of services and                         |
| 19 | other matters pertaining to the operation of the bureau, including the                                |
| 20 | biennial budget request of the bureau.  |
| 21 | (2) The Executive Subcommittee may meet and transact business   |
| 22 | both during a session of the General Assembly and during the interim between                          |
| 23 | sessions of the General Assembly. If during a legislative session the                                 |
| 24 | Executive Subcommittee takes action that requires approval by the Legislative                         |
| 25 | Council, the approval may be granted either by the Legislative Council, if                            |
| 26 | authorized to meet, or by the Joint Budget Committee.   |
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| 29 | /s/ Thyer   |
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