

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.

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1 State of Arkansas
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As Engrossed: S1/29/09

A Bill

SENATE BILL 112

5 By: Senator R. Thompson
6 By: Representative Moore
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9 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

10 AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
11 A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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13 **Subtitle**

14 TO DESIGNATE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S
15 OFFICE A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 25, Chapter 16 Subchapter 7 is amended
21 to add an additional section to read as follows:

22 25-16-713. Attorney General - Designated law enforcement agency.

23 (a) The office of the Attorney General is designated as a law
24 enforcement agency.

25 (b) A person designated and employed as a special investigator by the
26 Attorney General shall:

27 (1) Be a certified law enforcement officer under § 12-9-101 et
28 seq.; and

29 (2) Have statewide law enforcement jurisdiction and authority.
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31 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE.

32 It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of
33 Arkansas that in order to augment the law enforcement duties and abilities of
34 the Attorney General's office, facilitate the thorough investigation by the
35 Attorney General's office of all matters in which state interests are



1 concerned, and enhance the Attorney General's representation of the State of
2 Arkansas in court and the Attorney General's enforcement of the laws of the
3 State of Arkansas, that this act is immediately necessary for the continued
4 successful operation of the Attorney General's office. Therefore, an
5 emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for
6 the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become
7 effective on:

8 (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

9 (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,
10 the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the
11 bill; or

12 (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is
13 overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

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15 */s/ R. Thompson*

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17 **APPROVED: 2/09/2009**