Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law. Act 559 of the Regular Session

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3	Regular Session, 2011		SENATE BILL 311
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5	By: Senator Teague		
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8	AN ACT TO ENHANCE STATEWIDE PARCEL MAPPING; TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION OFFICE		
9 10	TO CREATE A PROGRAM TO ASSIST COUNTIES WITH STATEWIDE		
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11	PARCEL MAPPING; TO CREATE A FUNDING MECHANISM FOR A STATEWIDE MAPPING GRANT PROGRAM; TO DECLARE AND		
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22	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GE	NERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF	ARKANSAS:
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24	SECTION 1. Arkan	sas Code 15-21-504 is amended t	o add an additional
25	subsection to read as follows:		
26	(m)(1)(A) The Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board may		
27	administer a Statewide Parcel Mapping Grant Program at the direction of the		
28	Arkansas Geographic Information Office.		
29	<u>(B)</u>	The office shall develop and im	plement a program to
30	provide funding support to counties to assist in the completion of statewide		
31	parcel mapping.		
32	(2) The program shall be supported by funds and appropriations		
33	provided by the General Assembly and the counties.		
34	<u>(A)</u>	<u>Counties in the state are eligi</u>	ble to apply for a
35	grant under the program	to:	
36		(i) Initiate parcel map autom	nation;

1	(ii) Accelerate the completion of parcel map		
2	automation; or		
3	(iii) Support parcel map improvements.		
4	(B) Grants under the program shall be funded as follows:		
5	(i) State funding equaling up to sixty percent (60%)		
6	of the cost of the approved projects; and		
7	(ii) The balance of the cost from required matching		
8	funds from the county.		
9	(C) At least forty percent (40%) of the cost of any parce		
10	mapping project shall come from the counties participating in a project		
11	awarded under the program.		
12	(D)(i) The matching funds may be provided by counties,		
13	affected school districts, and affected cities.		
14	(ii) The matching funds shall be deposited by the		
15	office into the Geographic Information System Fund.		
16	(3) The office may promulgate rules necessary to administer the		
17	program.		
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19	SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the		
20	General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that providing funding support to		
21	counties for parcel automation enhances Arkansas's future economic		
22	development, ability to respond to disaster events, and improves efficiency		
23	and equity in property tax assessment, revaluation, and revenue collection.		
24	Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being necessary		
25	for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become		
26	effective on July 1, 2011.		
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29	<u>APPROVED: 03/22/2011</u>		
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