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A Bill

SENATE BILL 781

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT CONCERNING THE EARNING OF MERITORIOUS GOOD
10 TIME CREDITS BY AN INMATE A LOCAL CORRECTIONAL
11 FACILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 CONCERNING THE EARNING OF MERITORIOUS
16 GOOD TIME CREDITS BY AN INMATE IN A LOCAL
17 CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-41-101 is amended to read as follows:
23 12-41-101. Good time allowance.

24 (a) An inmate committed by any court in Arkansas to a county jail or
25 city jail in the State of Arkansas may be entitled to a reduction, to be
26 known as "meritorious good time", from his or her maximum term of ~~up to ten~~
27 ~~(10) days for each month~~ his or her sentence to be served in the county jail
28 ~~or city jails maintained in the State of Arkansas by the various counties and~~
29 ~~municipalities~~ jail.

30 (b)(1) Meritorious good time shall be awarded under the rules and
31 regulations promulgated by the county sheriff or chief of police and approved
32 by the county quorum court of the various counties or the city legislative
33 body of the various cities.

34 (2) ~~It~~ Meritorious good time shall be administered by the county
35 sheriff or chief of police, subject to ~~the provisions of~~ this subchapter, for
36 good discipline, good behavior, work practices, and job responsibilities



1 within the county jail or city jail.

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3 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 12-41-102 is amended to read as follows:
4 12-41-102. Good time – Classification of inmates.

5 (a) There is established a classification committee consisting of such
6 persons as the county sheriff or chief of police may designate.

7 (b) The committee shall meet as often as necessary to classify the
8 inmates of the county jail or city jail into one (1) of three (3) classes
9 according to behavior, good discipline, and job responsibility.

10 (c)(1) Inmates in Class I shall be allowed to earn ~~ten (10) days'~~ a
11 one (1) day reduction for each ~~month~~ day served~~+~~.

12 (2) ~~Those~~ Inmates in Class II shall be allowed to earn ~~five (5)~~
13 ten (10) days' reduction for each month served~~+~~ and.

14 (3) ~~Those~~ Inmates in Class III shall not be entitled to earn
15 meritorious good time.

16 (d) Inmates of the county jail or city jail may be reclassified as
17 often as the committee deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this
18 subchapter and to maintain good discipline and efficiency at the county or
19 city jail.

20 ~~(e) Those inmates sentenced to the county or city jail under this~~
21 ~~subchapter shall not receive more than ten (10) days of meritorious good time~~
22 ~~for each month served.~~

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