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2 91st General Assembly
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 584

5 By: Senator E. Williams
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE DIRECTOR
9 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS; TO
10 DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

13 CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE
14 DIRECTOR OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF
15 THE COURTS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-10-102(b), concerning the Director of
22 the Administrative Office of the Courts, is amended to read as follows:

23 (b) The director shall ~~possess the same qualifications and shall be~~
24 ~~subject to the same restrictions as district judges~~ meet the qualifications
25 as determined by the Supreme Court.
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27 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
28 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the Director of the
29 Administrative Office of the Courts provides a vital function concerning the
30 operation of the judiciary; that the position of Director of the
31 Administrative Office of the Courts will soon be vacant due to the departure
32 of the current director; and that this act is immediately necessary because
33 the Supreme Court feels it is necessary to consider as many qualified persons
34 as necessary to fill the position. Therefore, an emergency is declared to
35 exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the
36 public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:



- 1 (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;
- 2 (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,
- 3 the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the
- 4 bill; or
- 5 (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is
- 6 overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

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