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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1777

5 By: Representative Love
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE WEATHERIZATION
9 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTING
10 REGARDING THE WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; TO
11 MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS REGARDING THE
12 WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE
17 WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 15, Chapter 10, Subchapter 2, is
24 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

25 15-10-207. Reporting regarding the Weatherization Assistance Program.
26 The Arkansas Energy Office of the Arkansas Department of Environmental
27 Quality shall report to the House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and
28 Labor and the Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor
29 concerning the Weatherization Assistance Program as transferred to the office
30 under § 25-14-103 and as authorized under § 15-10-205(a):

31 (1) When the office applies to the United States Department of
32 Energy for the funding for the Weatherization Assistance Program as described
33 in the state plan;

34 (2) At the midyear point of the Weatherization Assistance
35 Program to show the statistics relating to budgeting, enrollment, and other
36 information relating to the Weatherization Assistance Program; and



1 (3) At the end of the year of the Weatherization Assistance
 2 Program to show the total impact of the Weatherization Assistance Program and
 3 to discuss the renewal application for the funding for the Weatherization
 4 Assistance Program as described in the state plan.

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 6 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 25-11-103 is repealed.
 7 ~~25-11-103. Funds transfer to the Weatherization Assistance Program.~~
 8 ~~The Department of Human Services shall transfer annually to the~~
 9 ~~Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality a minimum of fifteen percent~~
 10 ~~(15%) and up to a maximum of twenty five percent (25%), as allowed by federal~~
 11 ~~law or regulation, of the annual allocation for the Low Income Home Energy~~
 12 ~~Assistance Program to be used by the Weatherization Assistance Program of the~~
 13 ~~Arkansas Energy Office of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality.~~

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 15 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code Title 25, Chapter 14, Subchapter 1, is
 16 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

17 25-14-103. Funds transfer to the Weatherization Assistance Program.
 18 The Department of Human Services shall transfer annually to the
 19 Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality a minimum of fifteen percent
 20 (15%) and up to a maximum of twenty-five percent (25%), as allowed by federal
 21 law or regulation, of the annual allocation for the Low Income Home Energy
 22 Assistance Program to be used by the Weatherization Assistance Program of the
 23 Arkansas Energy Office of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality.

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 25 SECTION 4. DO NOT CODIFY. TEMPORARY LANGUAGE. If legislation
 26 concerning the transformation of the Arkansas Department of Environmental
 27 Quality is enacted during this Regular Session of the General Assembly, the
 28 Arkansas Code Revisor and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall correct
 29 the references to the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality consistent
 30 with those laws.

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 33 **APPROVED: 4/8/19**
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