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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1427

"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE "ARKANSAS COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE ACT OF 2007"
AND TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE COMMISSION."

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1427.

Amend House Bill No. 1427 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete line 1 and substitute the following:

"15-13-103. Definitions.

As used in this subchapter, "eligible entity" means a state or local governmental entity, an elected official, an improvement district, or a nonprofit corporation.

15-13-104. Arkansas Community Assistance Commission."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 22 through 26 and substitute the following:

"(c) The commission members shall"

AND

Page 2, delete line 32 and substitute the following:

"authorized by law.

(e) The terms of commission members shall begin on January 1 of odd numbered years and shall expire on December 31 of even numbered years."

AND

Page 2, line 34 delete "15-13-104." and substitute "15-13-105."

AND

Page 3, delete line 6 and substitute the following:

(c)(1) The commission shall meet quarterly to monitor grants and the disbursement of funds, to review complaints, and, if necessary, to request an audit of a grant recipient by the Division of Legislative Audit.

(2) The commission shall prepare and submit biennially to the"



AND

Page 3, delete lines 12 and 13 and substitute the following:

- “(d) The commission shall employ a director who shall:
- (1) Coordinate the meetings of the commission;
 - (2) Assist the commission in making studies and investigations;
 - (3) Supervise staff services of the commission; and
 - (4) Perform such duties as may be prescribed by the commission.”

AND

Page 3, line 15 delete “15-13-105.” and substitute “15-13-106.”

AND

Page 3, delete lines 17 and 18 and substitute the following:

“eligible entity seeking the grant or, with the consent of the eligible entity, may be filed on the eligible entity’s behalf by an elected city official, county official, district”

AND

Page 3, line 25 delete “10” and substitute “23”

AND

Page 3, line 31, delete “entity’s” and substitute “eligible entity’s”

AND

Page 4, line 17 delete “15-13-106.” and substitute “15-13-107.”

AND

Page 4, delete lines 26 and 27 and substitute the following:

- “(1) Consider:
- (A) The purpose of the project;
 - (B) The benefit to the community;
 - (C) The need for assistance;
 - (D) The ability of the eligible entity to address the need with other funds and with volunteers;
 - (E) The population of the city or county where the grant is to be used; and
 - (F) How long the need has existed; and”

AND

Page 4, line 30, delete “entity” and substitute “eligible entity”

AND

Page 4, line 35, delete “15-13-107.” and substitute “15-13-108.”

AND

Page 5, delete lines 2 through 5 and substitute the following:

“(b)(1) The commission shall certify the list of grant recipients to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

(2) The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State or his or her designee shall make disbursements at such times as instructed by the commission.”

AND

Page 5, line 14, delete “15-13-108.” and substitute “15-13-109.”

AND

Page 5, line 22, after the period add the following sentence: “A grant recipient shall return unexpended grant funds no later than twenty-four (24) months after the date of the grant award.”

AND

Page 5, line 27, delete “15-13-109.” and substitute “15-13-110.”

AND

Page 5, delete line 34 and substitute the following:

“SECTION 2. (a) The initial organizational meeting of the Arkansas Community Assistance Commission shall be held on March 1, 2007, or the first business day following the effective date of this subchapter.

(b) During the initial organizational meeting, the commission shall:

(1) Select a chair and vice chair;

(2) Approve grant application forms and grant instructions; and

(3) Transact such other business as may be necessary to

implement the grant program.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the”

The Amendment was read _____

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