

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1025

5 By: Representative Hall
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE LOCATION OF THE
10 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES OF THE EAST ARKANSAS
11 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO DESIGNATE THE LOCATION OF THE
16 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES OF THE EAST
17 ARKANSAS PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
18 DISTRICT.
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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 § 14-166-202 is amended to read as follows:
24 14-166-202. Designation of districts.

25 (a) The General Assembly recognizes as planning and development
26 districts the boundaries of the following eight (8) economic development
27 districts:

28 (1) Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District, Inc.,
29 consisting of Benton, Washington, Madison, Carroll, Boone, Newton, Marion,
30 Searcy, and Baxter counties;

31 (2) North Central Arkansas Economic Development District, Inc.,
32 consisting of Fulton, Izard, Sharp, Stone, Independence, Jackson, Van Buren,
33 Cleburne, White, and Woodruff counties;

34 (3) (A) Northeast Arkansas Economic Development District, Inc.,
35 operating as East Arkansas Planning and Development District, consisting of
36 Randolph, Clay, Lawrence, Greene, Craighead, Mississippi, Poinsett, Cross,



1 Crittenden, St. Francis, Lee, and Phillips counties+.

2 (B) The administrative headquarters, offices, and
3 personnel shall be located within the city limits of Wynne, Cross County;

4 (4) Southeast Arkansas Economic Development District, Inc.,
5 consisting of Grant, Jefferson, Arkansas, Cleveland, Lincoln, Desha, Bradley,
6 Drew, Chicot, and Ashley counties;

7 (5) Southwest Economic Development District of Arkansas, Inc.,
8 consisting of Sevier, Howard, Little River, Hempstead, Nevada, Ouachita,
9 Dallas, Calhoun, Miller, Lafayette, Columbia, and Union counties;

10 (6) Western Arkansas Economic Development District, Inc.,
11 consisting of Crawford, Franklin, Sebastian, Logan, Scott, and Polk counties;

12 (7) West Central Arkansas Economic Development District, Inc.,
13 consisting of Johnson, Pope, Conway, Yell, Perry, Montgomery, Garland, Pike,
14 Clark, and Hot Spring counties; and

15 (8) Central Arkansas Economic Development District, Inc.,
16 consisting of Faulkner, Saline, Pulaski, Lonoke, Prairie, and Monroe
17 counties.

18 (b)(1) If a municipality is located in two (2) or more counties which
19 are situated in different planning and development districts, ~~then~~ and if the
20 governing body of the municipality so determines by ordinance, the entire
21 area of the municipality may be deemed attached to the planning and
22 development district which has the county with the highest proportion of the
23 population of the municipality.

24 (2) The population of the municipality shall be based upon the
25 most recent federal decennial or special census data available for the
26 municipality.

27 (c)(1) Nothing in this subchapter is intended to change or conflict
28 with the status of regional and metropolitan planning commissions or councils
29 of governments established under § 14-17-301 et seq. and § 14-56-501 et seq.

30 (2) This subchapter does not change the designation of urban and
31 metropolitan planning organizations presently recognized by the Department of
32 Finance and Administration for programs of the Department of Housing and
33 Urban Development or any other department of the federal government.

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