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A Bill

SENATE BILL 883

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AUTHORITY TO
10 ARREST; TO GRANT CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS
11 PEACE OFFICER STATUS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AUTHORITY TO
16 ARREST; AND TO GRANT CERTAIN LAW
17 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PEACE OFFICER
18 STATUS.
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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 § 16-81-106(g), concerning persons with
24 authority to arrest, is amended to read as follows:

25 (g)(1) The following persons employed as full-time law enforcement
26 officers by the federal, state, county, or municipal government who are
27 empowered to effect an arrest with or without warrant for violations of the
28 United States Code and who are authorized to carry firearms in the
29 performance of their duties shall be empowered to act as officers for the
30 arrest of offenders against the laws of this state and shall enjoy the same
31 immunity, if any, to the same extent and under the same circumstances as
32 certified state law enforcement officers:

33 (A) Federal Bureau of Investigation special agents;

34 (B) United States Secret Service special agents;

35 (C) United States Citizenship and Immigration Services
36 special agents, investigators, and patrol officers;



1 (D) United States Marshals Service deputies;
2 (E) Drug Enforcement Administration special agents;
3 (F) United States Postal Inspection Service postal
4 inspectors;
5 (G) United States Postal Police;
6 (H) United States Customs and Border Protection special
7 agents, inspectors, and patrol officers;
8 ~~(H)~~(I) United States General Services Administration
9 special agents;
10 ~~(I)~~(J) United States Department of Agriculture special
11 agents;
12 ~~(J)~~(K) Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
13 special agents;
14 ~~(K)~~(L) Internal Revenue Service special agents and
15 inspectors;
16 ~~(L)~~(M) Certified law enforcement officers of the United
17 States Department of the Interior, National Park Service, and the United
18 States Fish and Wildlife Service;
19 ~~(M)~~(N) Members of federal, state, county, municipal, and
20 prosecuting attorneys' drug task forces;
21 ~~(N)~~(O) Certified law enforcement officers of the United
22 States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service; and
23 ~~(O)~~(P) United States Treasury Inspector General for Tax
24 Administration special agents.

25 (2) If an agency described in subdivision (g)(1) of this section
26 changes its name, the law enforcement officers described in subdivision
27 (g)(1) of this section that are employed by the agency remain empowered to
28 act as officers for the arrest of offenders against the laws of this state
29 and retain the same immunity, if any, to the same extent and under the same
30 circumstances as certified state law enforcement officers.

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/s/K. Ingram