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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO PROMOTE AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCY AND QUALITY
9 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; TO REORGANIZE
10 THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 TO PROMOTE AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCY AND
15 QUALITY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
16 SERVICES; AND TO REORGANIZE THE
17 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.
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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 § 19-5-306(6)(A), concerning the Department
24 of Human Services Administration Fund Account, is amended to read as follows:

25 (6) Department of Human Services Administration Fund Account.

26 (A) The Department of Human Services Administration Fund
27 Account shall be used for the maintenance, operation, and improvement
28 required by the office of the Director of the Department of Human Services in
29 carrying out the administrative duties and shared business services of the
30 Department of Human Services as set out in and under the restrictions and
31 provisions of § 20-46-301 and § 25-10-101 et seq., ~~and of the Office of~~
32 ~~Finance and Administration of the Department of Human Services, and the~~
33 ~~Division of Community Service and Nonprofit Support of the Department of~~
34 ~~Human Services as set out in § 25-10-128.~~
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36 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-76-211 is amended to read as follows:



1 20-76-211. ~~Division of Administrative Services~~ Director's Office of
 2 Department of Human Services – Client Specific Emergency Services Revolving
 3 Fund Paying Account.

4 (a) The ~~Division of Administrative Services~~ Director's Office of the
 5 Department of Human Services ~~is hereby authorized to~~ shall establish and
 6 maintain as a cash fund account the Client Specific Emergency Services
 7 Revolving Fund Paying Account consisting of federal grants, aids, cash
 8 donations, reimbursements, and state general revenue, not to exceed a daily
 9 balance of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), for delivery of immediate care,
 10 short-term, or emergency services to eligible clients.

11 (b) The account shall be established and maintained in accordance with
 12 procedures established by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State for cash
 13 funds and shall be administered under the direction of the Director of the
 14 Department of Human Services.

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 16 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 21-13-105(b)(1), concerning the use of
 17 volunteers and the development of volunteer programs for state and local
 18 government, is amended to read as follows:

19 (1) Enlist the services of ~~the Division of Community Service and~~
 20 ~~Nonprofit Support~~ of the Department of Human Services to assist in the
 21 development of volunteer programs;

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 23 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 25-10-102 is amended to read as follows:
 24 25-10-102. Organization generally.

25 (a) The Department of Human Services shall consist of and be operated
 26 under an integrated service system consisting of the following programmatic
 27 divisions with responsibilities and programs assigned to them as determined
 28 by the Director of the Department of Human Services:

29 (1) The Division of Aging and Adult Services;

30 (2) The Division of Medical Services;

31 (3) The Division of Behavioral Health Services, ~~which shall~~
 32 ~~include community mental health centers and state hospitals;~~

33 (4) The Division of Developmental Disabilities Services, ~~which~~
 34 ~~shall include both community programs and human development centers;~~

35 (5) The Division of County Operations;

36 (6) ~~The Division of Administrative Services;~~

1 ~~(7)~~ The Division of Youth Services, which shall include serious
 2 offender and community-based programs and the youth service centers;
 3 ~~(8) The Division of Community Service and Nonprofit Support;~~
 4 ~~(9)~~(7) The Division of State Services for the Blind;
 5 ~~(10)~~(8) The Division of Children and Family Services; and
 6 ~~(11)~~(9) The Division of Child Care and Early Childhood
 7 Education.

8 (b) The Director's Office of the Department of Human Services shall
 9 consist of:

10 (1) The Director of the Department of Human Services and his or
 11 her personal staff; and

12 (2) Shared business services operating across the divisions and
 13 offices of the department, including without limitation business operations
 14 for:

15 (A) Finance;

16 (B) Procurement;

17 (C) Human resources;

18 (D) Information technology;

19 (E) Chief counsel;

20 (F) Legislative and intergovernmental affairs; and

21 (G) Communications and community engagement.

22 ~~(b)(1)(A)~~(c)(1)(A) Each division of the department shall be under the
 23 direction, control, and supervision of the director.

24 (B) From time to time, the director may transfer or assign
 25 existing duties or new programs or duties of the department to offices,
 26 sections, or units as he or she deems necessary for the efficient and
 27 necessary operation of the department.

28 (C) Before implementation of any reorganization, the
 29 director shall obtain the advice of the House Committee on State Agencies and
 30 Governmental Affairs and the Senate Committee on State Agencies and
 31 Governmental Affairs.

32 (2)(A) However, the state institutions and the operation of
 33 state institutional programs under the jurisdiction of the Board of
 34 Developmental Disabilities Services and the Department of Human Services
 35 State Institutional System Board shall be under the control of their
 36 respective boards, as provided by law.

1 (B) The boards shall perform their respective functions
2 and duties under the general guidelines and standards promulgated by the
3 director.

4 (3) The Division of State Services for the Blind and the Board
5 of the Division of State Services for the Blind shall continue to function
6 within the department with the powers prescribed in § 25-10-201 et seq.

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8 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 25-10-128 is repealed.

9 ~~25-10-128. Division of Community Service and Nonprofit Support.~~

10 ~~(a) There is created in the Department of Human Services the Division~~
11 ~~of Community Service and Nonprofit Support.~~

12 ~~(b) Administrative assistance to coordinate the activities of the~~
13 ~~division shall be given by the Deputy Director for Community Service and~~
14 ~~Nonprofit Support who will devote full time to the duties of the office and~~
15 ~~assume the responsibility for carrying out the duties prescribed by this~~
16 ~~section. The deputy director shall employ any employees who are necessary to~~
17 ~~carry out the goals of the office, subject to appropriation by the General~~
18 ~~Assembly.~~

19 ~~(c) The duties and responsibilities of the Division of Community~~
20 ~~Service and Nonprofit Support are to:~~

21 ~~(1) Assess and recognize the needs of communities throughout~~
22 ~~Arkansas and to recruit, train, and coordinate volunteers and volunteer~~
23 ~~organizations in meeting those needs;~~

24 ~~(2) Assist in specific projects involving volunteers to meet~~
25 ~~community needs;~~

26 ~~(3) Provide greater public awareness and recognition of~~
27 ~~volunteer efforts; and~~

28 ~~(4) Assist in devising training programs for use by community~~
29 ~~organizations that have programs to assist welfare recipients and to assist~~
30 ~~other divisions of the department in devising and administering programs to~~
31 ~~match those current and past welfare recipients with any community~~
32 ~~organizations that desire to assist them.~~

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34 SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 25-10-144(b), concerning the purpose of the
35 Governor's Advisory Commission on National Service and Volunteerism, is
36 amended to read as follows:

1 (b) The purposes of the Governor’s Advisory Commission on National
 2 Service and Volunteerism are to:

3 (1) Assist the community engagement program and staff of ~~the~~
 4 ~~Division of Community Service and Nonprofit Support~~ the Director’s Office of
 5 the Department of Human Services in setting goals, establishing priority
 6 activities, performing an advocacy role, and assisting in funding and
 7 resource development and publicity and recognition and awards programs; and

8 (2) Serve as the State Commission on National and Community
 9 Service for the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act, as governed by 42 U.S.C.
 10 § 12638.

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 12 SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 25-10-144(g), concerning the Governor’s
 13 Advisory Commission on National Service and Volunteerism, is repealed.

14 ~~(g) The Division of Community Service and Nonprofit Support may~~
 15 ~~promulgate rules to implement this section.~~

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