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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1264

5 By: Representatives Pilkington, McCollum  
6 By: Senators B. Davis, T. Garner  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO CREATE THE SMALL TOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
10 ACT; TO AMEND THE EXEMPTIONS TO THE LICENSING  
11 REQUIREMENTS FOR ARCHITECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

14 TO CREATE THE SMALL TOWN ECONOMIC  
15 DEVELOPMENT ACT.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Title.

22 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Small Town Economic  
23 Development Act".  
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25 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-15-302(a)(4)(C), concerning the  
26 exemptions to the licensing requirements for architects, is amended to read  
27 as follows:

28 (C) Buildings whose total cumulative and fair market value  
29 to complete, not including site, does not exceed ~~one hundred thousand dollars~~  
30 ~~(\$100,000)~~ five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000); and  
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32 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 17-15-302(b) and (c), concerning the  
33 exemptions to the licensing requirements for architects, are amended to read  
34 as follows:

35 (b)(1) The terms of this chapter shall not apply to:

36 (A) Any public school district exempted from the



1 provisions of this chapter; or

2 (B) Every public school district embracing a city with a  
 3 population in excess of thirty thousand (30,000) which maintains a full-time  
 4 superintendent of buildings with engineering and architectural experience.

5 (2) This exception shall only apply:

6 (A) If the total cumulative and fair market value to  
 7 complete the repair and maintenance of buildings already constructed and  
 8 alterations thereof does not exceed the sum of ~~one hundred thousand dollars~~  
 9 ~~(\$100,000)~~ five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000); and

10 (B) If the total cumulative and fair market value to  
 11 complete the new structures will not exceed the sum of ~~one hundred thousand~~  
 12 ~~dollars (\$100,000)~~ five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).

13 (c) The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to any public  
 14 school district, place of assembly, daycare, church, or building not more  
 15 than one (1) story high where:

16 (1) The total cumulative and fair market value to complete the  
 17 building, alteration, or structure does not exceed the sum of ~~one hundred~~  
 18 ~~thousand dollars (\$100,000)~~ five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000); and

19 (2) The plans are approved by the State Fire Marshal.

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