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Secretary

March 1, 2022

The Honorable Kim Hammer, Senate Co-Chairman  
The Honorable Les Eaves, House Co-Chairman  
Arkansas Legislative Council- Administrative Rules  
1 Capitol Mall, 5<sup>th</sup> floor  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Hammer and Representative Eaves,

Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §25-15-216(b)(4), as amended by Act 595 of 2021, please consider the following Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism update on rulemaking resulting from Acts of 2021.

#### Act 777

##### Arkansas Cultural Institutions Trust Fund

- Summary of Rule: Creates a trust fund administered by the Division of Arkansas Heritage to support major capital improvement projects at Arkansas Cultural Institutions.
- Status Update: Approval from the Governor received and agency moving forward with rule promulgation process with planned publication beginning on March 6, 2022.
- New Rule

#### Act 1003

##### An Act to Create the Arkansas State Capitol and Historical Monument Protection Act

- Summary of Rule: Provides for the preservation of historical monuments on public property and the State Capitol area and limits the removal of these monuments.
- Status Update: The Historical Monument rule was approved by the Governor's office on January 10, 2022. The rules were filed with the Bureau of Legislative Research and the Secretary of State's office on January 13, 2022. Notice was published for three consecutive days in the Arkansas Democrat Gazette from January 16 through January 18, 2022. ADPHT held a public hearing to accept public comment on February 11, 2022. The rules were also published on the ADPHT website. The public comment period ended on February 17, 2022. Agency reviewing comments made during the public comment period and will submit any changes made to the rules to the Bureau of Legislative Research by the second week of March.
- New Rule

The Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism will continue to provide monthly updates on rulemaking resulting from Acts of 2021. If there are any changes or additional updates identified, the Department will provide further information in these monthly updates submitted to the ALC-Administrative Rules Subcommittee.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

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Leslie Fiskin  
Chief of Legislative Affairs  
Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage & Tourism

cc: Stacy Hurst, Secretary, Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism  
Caleb Osborne, Chief of Staff, Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism