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A Bill

SENATE BILL 777

5 By: Senator D. Wyatt
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE LIMITATION ON
9 THE NUMBER OF AUXILIARY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; AND
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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13 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE
14 LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF AUXILIARY LAW
15 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-9-306 is amended to read as follows:*
22 *12-9-306. Number restricted.*

23 *(a)(1) Recognizing the need for limiting the number of auxiliary law*
24 *enforcement officers in this state, a political subdivision ~~is given the~~*
25 *~~authority to~~ may appoint up to twelve (12) auxiliary law enforcement officers*
26 *regardless of the size of the law enforcement agency. ~~and Further,~~ the*
27 *political subdivision ~~shall have no~~ may appoint more auxiliary law*
28 *enforcement officers ~~than~~ equal to the larger number of:*

29 *(A) ~~One (1) Two (2) auxiliary law enforcement officer~~*
30 *officers for each full-time certified law enforcement officer employed by the*
31 *appointing law enforcement agency; or*

32 *(B) One (1) auxiliary law enforcement officer for each one*
33 *thousand (1,000) persons in the political subdivision as determined by the*
34 *latest official census.*

35 *(2)(A) However, if due to special or unusual problems or*
36 *circumstances, any political subdivision has a need for a greater number of*



1 *auxiliary law enforcement officers than is authorized in subdivisions*
2 *(a)(1)(A) or (B) of this section, it may make a request to the Arkansas*
3 *Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training for the additional*
4 *auxiliary law enforcement officers.*

5 *(B) Each request shall state the special or unusual*
6 *problems involved which justify the request, the number of additional*
7 *auxiliary law enforcement officers requested, and such other information as*
8 *the commission may require.*

9 *(C) If the commission finds that the public interest will*
10 *best be served by allowing the political subdivision to appoint the*
11 *additional auxiliary law enforcement officers requested, it may grant the*
12 *request.*

13 *(b) Honorary police officers without law enforcement authority are not*
14 *restricted in number by this section.*

15 *(c) The limitation concerning number of auxiliary law enforcement*
16 *officers allowed to be appointed by a law enforcement agency under this*
17 *section does not apply to additional auxiliary law enforcement officers*
18 *appointed by political subdivisions to serve as school resource officers or*
19 *search and rescue officers.*

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21 */s/D. Wyatt*
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