Hall of the House of Representatives

83rd General Assembly - Regular Session, 2001 Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 2596

"AN ACT TO RELIEVE THE COUNTIES AND CITIES OF ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR MEDICAL EXPENSES OF CRIMINALS INJURED WHILE COMMITTING CRIMINAL ACTS."

Amendment No. 2 to House Bill No. 2596.

Amend House Bill No. 2596 as engrossed, H4/2/01:

Page 1, delete lines 10 through 16 and substitute the following: "AN ACT TO PROVIDE COUNTIES AND CITIES WITH A RIGHT TO SEEK REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE FINANCIAL COST OF MEDICAL EXPENSES OF CRIMINALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 19 through 24 and substitute the following: "AN ACT TO ALLOW COUNTIES AND CITIES TO SEEK REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE COST OF MEDICAL EXPENSES OF CRIMINALS IN THE COUNTY OR CITY JAIL."

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following: "SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 12, Chapter 41, Subchapter 5, is

amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

<u>12-41-512</u>. Reimbursement for medical expenses for prisoners in county jails.

Any county or city that operates a jail facility, and which is otherwise obligated by law to pay for the medical expenses of prisoners, shall have a cause of action against a prisoner for reimbursement of actual medical expenses paid by the county or city to the extent that the medical expenses are incurred for the treatment of injuries that were sustained during, or are related to, the commission of a crime.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 12, Chapter 41, Subchapter 4, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

<u>12-41-405</u>. Reimbursement for medical expenses for prisoners in city jails.

<u>Any county or city that operates a jail facility, and which is</u> otherwise obligated by law to pay for the medical expenses of prisoners,

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shall have a cause of action against a prisoner for reimbursement of actual medical expenses paid by the county or city to the extent that the medical expenses are incurred for the treatment of injuries that were sustained during, or are related to, the commission of a crime."

The Amendment was read _____ By: Representative Womack EN/VJF - 040620010919 VVF457

Chief Clerk