ARKANSAS SENATE

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 217
"AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION - COURT ORDERED
ATTORNEY'S FEES APPROPRIATION."

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 217.
Amend Senate Bill No. 217 as originally introduced:
Insert an additional section immediately following Section 5 to read as follows:
SECTION 6. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the financing of the court appointed attorneys by the Arkansas Public Defender Commission through a transfer from the State Administration of Justice Fund is not to be a precedent in financing programs in this state. We recognize that an unusual and possible unique situation exists that requires the General Assembly to deviate from its normal practice of establishing priorities and allowing the program to receive financing through the Arkansas Revenue Stabilization Law. If the state decides to provide financial support for the Arkansas Public Defender Commission to pay for court appointed attorneys in the future, it is our intent to provide any financial support through the process of it receiving a share of the distribution of the "general revenues available for distribution" in the Arkansas Revenue Stabilization Law."
Renumber subsequent section accordingly.
.BWG098 The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and

Secretary

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