

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
84th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2003  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 719**

"AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS POLICE CORPS COMMISSION."

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**Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 719.**

Amend Senate Bill No. 719 as originally introduced:

Delete the title and substitute the following:

"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK AS THE LEAD AGENCY AND ENTITY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OVERSIGHT AND OPERATION OF THE ARKANSAS POLICE CORPS PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle and substitute the following:

"TO ESTABLISH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK AS THE LEAD AGENCY AND ENTITY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OVERSIGHT AND OPERATION OF THE ARKANSAS POLICE CORPS PROGRAM."

AND

Delete Section 1 and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of this act is to establish the lead agency and its authority over the Arkansas Police Corps Program, a federally funded scholarship program designed to employ college-educated police officers in local and state law enforcement agencies and to foster the development and growth of community policing efforts throughout Arkansas.

SECTION 2. Administration of the Arkansas Police Corps Program.

(a) The Department of Criminal Justice at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock is designated as the state lead agency responsible for implementing any federal scholarships or training programs that fall under the umbrella of the Police Corps Act, Title XX, Subtitle A of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, 42 U.S.C. § 14091-14102, and all subsequent and related federal legislation.

(b) The department may promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the administration and operation of any such programs in the State of Arkansas, including the creation of the Police Corps Advisory Group which shall:



(1) Serve as the body to review policies imposed by the federal government and the rules and regulations developed by the department for the Arkansas Police Corps Program;

(2) Serve as the selection committee for Arkansas Police Corps Program participants;

(3) Serve as the body to establish eligibility requirements for the Arkansas Police Corps Program, within the parameters set by the federal government;

(4) Serve as the body to establish the participant removal procedures for the Arkansas Police Corps Program;

(5) Serve as the appeals committee for the Arkansas Police Corps Program, should a training participant be removed for any reason; and

(6) Perform all other duties as needed.

(c) The chairperson of the department, who serves as the Director of the Arkansas Police Corps Program, or the director's designee shall serve as an ex officio member and as chair of the advisory group.

(d) Neither the director nor the director's designee shall sit on any appeals panel in cases involving removal of participants from the program.

(3) The advisory group shall meet at the call of the chair.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that it is necessary to designate a lead agency for purposes of obtaining federally funded scholarships under the Arkansas Police Corps Program; that this act establishes the lead agency; and that this act should go into effect immediately in order to be eligible for the federal funds as soon as possible. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and \_\_\_\_\_

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