

Hall of the House of Representatives
85th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2005
Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 2731
"AN ACT CONCERNING CONSTABLES, TOWNSHIPS, AND QUORUM COURT
DISTRICTS."

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 2731.

Amend House Bill No. 2731 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 9 and 10, and substitute the following:
"AN ACT CONCERNING CONSTABLES AND TOWNSHIPS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 13 and 14, and substitute the following:
"AN ACT CONCERNING CONSTABLES AND TOWNSHIPS."

AND

Delete SECTION 1 in its entirety and substitute the following:
"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-14-401 is amended to read as follows:
14-14-401. Establishment - Townships continued.
(a) Each county of the state shall divide its land area into convenient county quorum court districts in a manner and at times prescribed by the General Assembly.
(b) The county court of each county in this state shall have the authority to divide the county into ~~convenient~~ townships, ~~subdivide those already established~~ and alter township lines.
(c) It shall be the duty of the clerk of the county court to enter on the minutes of the court a description of each township established by the court, containing the name and boundaries of the township and the place appointed for holding elections; and shall also note in the minutes every alteration that is made in any township lines.
(d) The clerk of the county court shall within thirty (30) days after establishing any new township or altering any existing township line, provide the Secretary of State a certified copy of the record made.
(e) If any county clerk in this state has not furnished the Secretary of State with a description of the ~~several~~ townships in the county, it shall be the duty of the county court to direct the clerk of that court to provide the Secretary of State with the description.
~~(f) Whenever the county court of any county in this state orders the~~



~~formation of one (1) or more new townships or changes the boundary lines of any of the townships in the county, which formation or change shall require additional township officers, the additional township officer or officers shall be filled in accordance with Arkansas Constitution, Article 7, § 50.~~

(f)(1) After January 1, 2006, and before July 1, 2006, the county court of each county shall divide the county into two (2) townships of approximately equal size.

(2) At the regular November 2006 general election, the qualified electors of each township shall elect a township officer under this subsection, and the officer shall take office January 1, 2007.

(3) Beginning January 1, 2007, there shall be two (2) townships in each county of the State of Arkansas."

The Amendment was read _____

By: Representative Ragland

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