

Hall of the House of Representatives

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1911

CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF DATA FROM POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE
STATE ON ISSUES PERTAINING TO THE STATUS OF CERTAIN GROUPS.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1911

Amend House Bill No. 1911 as originally introduced:

Add Senator Chesterfield as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY.

(a) The City, County, and Local Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives shall collect economic data from the political subdivisions across the state to determine women's economic status in Arkansas.

(b) The Institute for Women's Policy Research collected data for a 2002 study that found that women in Arkansas fare poorly economically, and there are wide disparities based on gender, race, ethnicity, and region based on factors including without limitation:

- (1) Elderly women living in poverty;
- (2) Women-owned businesses;
- (3) Women without insurance;
- (4) Women in professional positions; and
- (5) Women with college degrees.

(c) The committee shall:

- (1) Study the presence, influence, opportunities, challenges, and barriers for women in Arkansas;
- (2) Study and identify the policies necessary to support women economically;
- (3) Conduct hearings in order to more fully understand from the research community what is known and unknown concerning the role and presence of women in business enterprise;
- (4) Conduct hearings to more fully understand the challenges faced by these women as shared from their own experiences; and
- (5) Conduct hearings to understand existing legal and policy barriers that women must address."



The Amendment was read
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