ARKANSAS SENATE 90th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2015 Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 329

CONCERNING THE METHOD AND TIMEFRAME IN WHICH A COUNTY JAIL IS REIMBURSED FOR HOUSING INMATES WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION.

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 329

Amend Senate Bill No. 329 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-27-114(b), concerning the payment by the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction to a county jail for housing inmates, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1)(A) In the first week of each month, the <u>The</u> Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction shall prepare an invoice <u>during the first week of each month that lists</u> for each <u>state</u> inmate who was physically housed in a county jail received from a county during the previous month.

(B) The invoice shall reflect the number of days an \underline{a} state inmate was in the county jail in an awaiting-bed-space status.

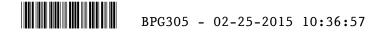
(2)(A) The Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction shall verify and forward the invoices to the applicable county sheriff to certify the actual number of days the state inmates were physically housed in the county jail.

(B)(i) Upon written request of a county judge, county treasurer, or county sheriff, the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction shall provide to the county official making the request of a written report summarizing the year-to-date county jail reimbursement invoices prepared and forwarded for verification by the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction and payment from the fund.

(ii) In addition, the <u>written</u> report shall include a summary of invoices returned by each county for payment for previous months within the fiscal year, the amounts paid, and any balances owed.

(3) (A) The certified invoices shall then be returned to the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction for payment from the fund.

(B) Payment from the fund shall be made within (5) business days of receipt of signed and certified invoices returned by each



county, subject to funding made available for payment of the certified notices.

(4) The county sheriff shall maintain documentation for three(3) calendar years to confirm the number of days each <u>state</u> inmate was <u>physically</u> housed in the county jail.

(5) The documentation maintained by the county sheriff is subject to review by the division.

SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. <u>Temporary language.</u>

(a) Any arrearages owed the county jails by the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction shall not become immediately due upon the effective date of this act.

(b) Arrearages owed county jails by the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction for housing state inmates in the county jails shall be paid out incrementally over the six (6) months after the effective date of this act."