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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO CLARIFY COUNTY POPULATION FOR APPORTIONMENT PURPOSES; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO COLLECT AND MAINTAIN RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS INFORMATION FOR INCARCERATED PERSONS; TO CLARIFY THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS TO COUNTIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-14-403(b), concerning apportionment of districts, is amended to read as follows:
(b)(l) All apportionments shall be based on the population of the county as of the last federal decennial census as adjusted under § 14-14404. $\boldsymbol{T}$ and the
(2) The number of districts apportioned shall be equal to the number to which the county is entitled by law.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-14-404 is amended to read as follows:

14-14-404. Federal decennial census data.
(a) (1) The State Board of Apportionment shall provide each of the respective county boards of election commissioners with the appropriate and necessary federal decennial census information, not less than ninety (90) days prior to before the date established for apportionment of county quorum court districts.
(2)(A) The board shall adjust the population for each county based on the residential address of each incarcerated person before sentencing provided under subsection (b) of this section and use the adjusted information for all apportionment purposes.
(B) An incarcerated person who was not a resident of the state before sentencing or has an unknown residential address before sentencing shall not be counted for apportionment purposes.
(b) (l) Each year when the federal decennial census is taken and the United States Census Bureau counts incarcerated persons as residents of the county where the correctional facility is located, the Department of Correction shall collect an maintain a record of:
(A) The residential address that each incarcerated person had before his or her sentencing; and
(B) Each incarcerated person who was not a resident of the state before sentencing or has an unknown residential address before sentencing; and
(2) (A) The department shall submit to the Secretary of State, on or before July 1 , the records collected and maintained under subdivision (b) (l) of this section.
(B) The department shall not include the name of any incarcerated person with the information submitted to the Secretary of State under this section.
(c) The Secretary of State shall provide the board with the number of incarcerated persons that shall:
(1) Be included as residents for each county and county census block, based on the information received from the department; and
(2) Not be included as residents for apportionment purposes because the incarcerated person was not a resident of the state before sentencing or has an unknown residential address before sentencing.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 27-70-207(a)(3)(C) and (D), concerning highway revenue distribution to counties, is amended to read as follows:
(C) Seventeen and one-half percent (17.5\%) of the amount according to population based upon the most recent federal decennial census as adjusted under § 14-14-404, with each county to receive the proportion that its population bears to the population of the state;
(D) Thirteen and one-half percent (13.5\%) of the amount according to rural population based upon the most recent federal decennial census as adjusted under § 14-14-404, with each county to receive the proportion that its rural population bears to the rural population of the state; and

Referred by the Arkansas House of Representatives
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