

INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2007-192

REQUESTING THE SENATE AND HOUSE INTERIM COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR TO STUDY THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS COLLECTED THROUGH BAIL BONDS AND THE COST AND PROCESSES FOR LICENSURE OF BAIL BONDSMEN.

WHEREAS, bail bonds play a prominent role in the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, bail bond fees help to fund criminal justice programs; and

WHEREAS, bail bondsmen must be properly educated to ensure that the bail system operates properly; and

WHEREAS, public safety and welfare require an effective and appropriate mechanism for training and licensing bail bondsmen and for overseeing the distribution of funds arising from bail bonds,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT PROPOSED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE INTERIM COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

That the Senate and House Interim Committees on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor study the distribution of funds collected through bail bonds and the cost and processes for licensure of bail bondsmen.

Respectfully submitted,

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