1	INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2011-160
2	State of Arkansas
3	88th General Assembly A Bill
4	Regular Session, 2011 HOUSE BILL 2169
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6	By: Representatives Mayberry, Hammer, Sanders
7	Filed with: Interim House Committee on Judiciary
8	pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217
9	For An Act To Be Entitled
10	AN ACT REGARDING THE COLLECTION OF THE FULL BAIL BOND
11	PREMIUM AND TO AFFIRMATIVELY CLARIFY THAT THE
12	FINANCING OF A BAIL BOND IS PROHIBITED; AND FOR OTHER
13	PURPOSES.
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16	Subtitle
17	REGARDING THE COLLECTION OF THE FULL BAIL
18	BOND PREMIUM AND TO AFFIRMATIVELY CLARIFY
19	THAT THE FINANCING OF A BAIL BOND IS
20	PROHIBITED.
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23	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-19-102 is amended to read as follows:
26	17-19-102. Penalties.
27	(a) (1) Any person who is found guilty of violating any of the
28	provisions of this chapter shall upon conviction be guilty of a Class A
29	misdemeanor.
30	(2) A person who has previously pleaded guilty or nolo
31	contendere or been found guilty of violating a provision of this chapter who
32	violates this chapter a second or subsequent time shall be guilty of a Class
33	D felony upon conviction.
34	(b) Any person who falsely represents to the Professional Bail Bond
35	Company and Professional Bail Bondsman Licensing Board that any person has
36	met the education or continuing education requirements of §§ 17-19-107, § 17-

1	19-212, and § 17-19-401 et seq., shall be guilty of a Class B misdemeanor and
2	upon conviction shall be punished accordingly.
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4	SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-19-301(a), regarding the premium for a
5	bail bond, is amended to read as follows:
6	(a) $\underline{(1)}$ With the exception of other provisions of this section, the
7	premium or compensation for giving bond or depositing money or property as
8	bail on any bond shall be ten percent (10%), except that the amount may be
9	rounded up to the nearest five-dollar amount.
10	(2) The bail bond agent or the bail bond company shall collect
11	the full ten percent (10%) before the issuance of a bond.
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13	SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 17-19-301 is amended to add a new
14	subsection to read as follows:
15	(f) A bail bond agent or a bail bond company shall not finance a bail
16	bond under any circumstance.
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18	Referred by the Arkansas House of Representatives
19	Prepared by: BPG/VJF
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