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A Bill

SENATE BILL

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By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 19-4-609 TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT THAT STATE AGENCIES SUBMIT ANNUAL PRODUCTIVITY REPORTS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE, AND THE GOVERNOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 19-4-609 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"19-4-609 Productivity reporting. (a) Each state agency, other than the elected constitutional officers, shall institute and maintain a program to increase the productivity and cost effectiveness of the employees for which they are responsible.

(b) (1) Each executive, judicial, legislative, and any other agency of the state shall provide, on a calendar-monthly basis, information reflecting the number of current employees in each such agency, the number of newly hired employees, the number of employees who have transferred to other state agencies, the number of employees who retired, the number of all other separations of employees, and such other information as may be requested.

(2) The information shall be compiled on forms developed by the Bureau of Legislative Research and submitted to the Arkansas Legislative Council on a calendar-quarterly basis."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. Emergency. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that State agencies are devoting too much time and effort into the preparation of a multitude of reports; that the annual report required by Arkansas Code 19-4-609 is in many instances redundant to other reports and is itself not cost effective nor efficient; that Arkansas Code 19-4-609 requires each State agency to transmit an annual productivity report no later than August 1 of each year; and that this Act should go into effect immediately in order to alert each State agency that the report will not be required hereafter. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.