

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**
4 **By: Representative Mahony**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT WHEN THE COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF A
9 HOUSE MEMBER IS SPLIT OR MOVED TO A DIFFERENT
10 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT AS A RESULT OF CONGRESSIONAL
11 REDISTRICTING THE MEMBER MAY CHOOSE EITHER HIS PRESENT
12 DISTRICT OR THE NEW DISTRICT AS HIS DISTRICT OF RESIDENCE
13 FOR THE PURPOSE OF JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE SELECTION; AND
14 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

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18 SECTION 1. When the county of residence of any member of the House of
19 Representatives is split between congressional districts or moved to a new
20 congressional district as a result of the 1991 congressional redistricting,
21 the House member may choose either his present congressional district or the
22 new congressional district as his district of residence for purposes of
23 selection to the Joint Budget Committee. In such instance the House member
24 shall notify the Speaker-designate of his choice of districts no later than
25 July 1, 1991.

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

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31 SECTION 3. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to
32 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
33 other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without
34 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
35 Act are declared to be severable.

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SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that congressional redistricting will occur shortly; that congressional redistricting may split counties and move counties from an existing congressional district to a new congressional district; that in instances where a House member's county is split or moved as a result of congressional redistricting, the member should be given the option of choosing which district to be designated his resident district for purposes of Joint Budget Committee selection; that the House member should make that decision no later than July 1, 1991; and that this Act should go into effect immediately in order to give adequate time for the decision-making process prior to July 1, 1991. 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.

