

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

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS GAME AND FISH COMMISSION
9 TO ESTABLISH AN AUXILIARY WILDLIFE OFFICER PROGRAM; AND
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

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14 SECTION 1. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission is hereby authorized
15 to establish and maintain an auxiliary wildlife officer program in accordance
16 with the provisions of this act.

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18 SECTION 2. The Commission shall not authorize or appoint more than
19 twenty-five (25) auxiliary wildlife officers in the state and shall not
20 authorize or appoint more than one (1) such auxiliary officer in any county.

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22 SECTION 3. Only persons who have met all standards and requirements
23 prescribed by the Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and
24 Training and have been certified as law enforcement officers shall be
25 authorized by the Commission to act as auxiliary wildlife officers.

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27 SECTION 4. All auxiliary wildlife officers participating in the
28 auxiliary wildlife officer program shall report to and take directions from
29 the chief of the Enforcement Division of the Arkansas Game and Fish
30 Commission.

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32 SECTION 5. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission shall not be held
33 civilly liable for actions of any auxiliary wildlife officer except when he or
34 she is performing duties specifically assigned by the chief of the Enforcement
35 Division and is working under the direct supervision of a full-time wildlife

1 officer or other full-time certified law enforcement officer.

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3 SECTION 6. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission is authorized to
4 reimburse auxiliary wildlife officers for reasonable and necessary expenses
5 for travel in connection with their activities as auxiliary wildlife officers
6 in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Commission. Provided,
7 such auxiliary wildlife officers shall not be reimbursed for mileage at a rate
8 in excess of the mileage rate prescribed for state employees.

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10 SECTION 7. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
11 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
12 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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14 SECTION 8. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
15 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
16 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
17 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
18 act are declared to be severable.

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20 SECTION 9. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
21 hereby repealed.

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