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4 **By: Senator Malone**

A Bill

SENATE BILL 248

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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 6, CHAPTER 44, SUBCHAPTER 2 OF THE
9 ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987, TO CLARIFY MEMBERSHIP ON THE
10 GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON ADULT LITERACY; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES."

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

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15 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Section 6-44-201 is hereby amended to read as
16 follows:

17 "6-44-201. Creation - Members.

18 (a) There is hereby established the Governor's Commission on Adult
19 Literacy to be composed of not more than sixteen (16) members appointed by the
20 Governor.

21 (b) (1) Considerations for membership shall include sex, age, and racial
22 balance.

23 (2) The voting membership of the commission shall consist of the
24 following:

25 (A) Seven (7) members from the executive ranks of the
26 business and labor sector with expertise in marketing, public relations,
27 legal, and workplace literacy;

28 (B) Seven (7) members from the nonbusiness sector with
29 general backgrounds in education, social services, and literacy enhancement;

30 (C) One (1) member of the Arkansas Senate and one (1)
31 member of the Arkansas House of Representatives.

32 (D) The Director of the Division of Vocational and
33 Technical Education shall be an ex-officio non-voting member of the
34 commission.

35 (3) The commission shall be comprised of members with backgrounds

1 and expertise that will enhance public and private efforts in adult education
2 and literacy.

3 (c) Members of the commission shall serve at the pleasure of the
4 Governor. Non-state employee members shall serve without compensation but
5 shall be entitled to per diem and mileage allowances for attendance at
6 commission meetings at the same rate authorized by law for legislators'
7 attendance at meetings of joint interim committees of the General Assembly.
8 Commission members that are also state employees shall be reimbursed for
9 expenses and mileage by the state agency for which they are employed, from
10 funds that are available for that purpose.

11 (d) The commission shall meet at least once quarterly.

12 (e) The failure of a commission member to attend three (3) consecutive
13 meetings without excuse may result in action being taken for the removal of
14 that member at the discretion of the commission chairman."

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16 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Section 6-44-202 is hereby amended to read as
17 follows:

18 "6-44-202. Staff assistance.

19 The Director of the Division of Vocational and Technical Education may
20 assign staff of the Adult Education Office to assist the commission in
21 carrying out its duties and responsibilities. The commission shall have the
22 authority to hire an executive director and additional staff, provided funds
23 become available for that purpose."

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25 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
26 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
27 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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29 SECTION 4. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to
30 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
31 other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without
32 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
33 Act are declared to be severable.

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35 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
36 hereby repealed.

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