

1 **State of Arkansas**

**Call Item 4**

2 **78th General Assembly**

# **A Bill**

3 **Second Extraordinary Session, 1992**

**HOUSE BILL**

4 **By: Representatives Lipton, Brown, George, Allen, B. Wood, McJunkin,**  
5 **Newman, Landers, J. Miller, Thicksten, Maddox, Bryan, Collier, Rice,**  
6 **Townsend, Murphy, Jones, Purdom, Dietz, Sanson, S. Miller, Holland,**  
7 **Mullenix, Shaver, Hendrix, Jacqueline Roberts, Capps, King,**  
8 **Cunningham, Wingfield, Rorie, Calhoun, Whorton, M. Wilson, Hawkins,**  
9 **Pryor, Parkerson, Wagner, McCuiston, Dawson, Pollan, O. Miller, Beatty,**  
10 **Mahony, McGinnis, Northcutt, Thurman, Fairchild, Baker, Gilbert, Steele,**  
11 **Gibson, and Stephens**

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## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

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"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 22-3-801 ET SEQ. TO PROVIDE  
15 FOR USE OF THE GOVERNOR\_S MANSION DURING TRANSITIONS  
16 BETWEEN GOVERNORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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## **Subtitle**

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"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 22-3-801 ET SEQ. TO PROVIDE  
20 FOR USE OF THE GOVERNOR\_S MANSION."

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

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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 22-3-801 is amended to read as follows:

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"22-3-801. State to provide mansion.

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(a) The State of Arkansas shall furnish to its governors a mansion in  
27 which to reside during their respective terms of office.

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(b) With the approval of the Governor, a former Governor may reside in  
29 the mansion for a period not exceeding forty-five (45) days after the date on  
30 which he ceases to be Governor.

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(c) With the approval of the Governor, a Governor-elect may reside in  
32 the mansion for a period not exceeding forty-five (45) days before the date on  
33 which he becomes Governor."

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SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 22-3-802 is amended to read as follows:

1 "22-3-802. Maintenance - Use of appropriations.

2 (a) Of the amounts from time to time appropriated by the General  
3 Assembly for the maintenance of the Governor's Mansion, a lump sum monthly  
4 installment of one-twelfth (1/12) of the annual appropriation is authorized to  
5 be withdrawn by the Disbursing Officer of the Governor\_s Mansion Commission to  
6 be used by him for the payment of all expenses incurred in the operation of  
7 the Governor's Mansion including the purchase of food and all miscellaneous  
8 items of a minor nature, and the expenditure of the funds so withdrawn shall  
9 not be subject to the purchasing laws or the laws relating to either the  
10 preaudit or postaudit of expenditures.

11 (b) The Disbursing Officer of the Governor\_s Mansion Commission shall  
12 file with the Legislative Council an annual summary statement of expenditures  
13 made by him of the maintenance funds so withdrawn, together with a statement  
14 of the adequacy of the amount of the funds for operation of the Governor's  
15 Mansion and grounds."

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

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21 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
22 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
23 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
24 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
25 act are declared to be severable.

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

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30 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the  
31 Seventy-Eighth General Assembly meeting in Second Extraordinary Session, that  
32 the Governor of the State of Arkansas has been elected to serve as President  
33 of the United States of America and will be sworn into that office on January  
34 20, 1993; and that the State Supreme Court has determined the lawful  
35 succession to fill the office of Governor when it is vacant; and that the

1 urgent problems confronting the State require the prompt and orderly  
2 implementation of this succession (which does not involve the habitation of  
3 the Mansion); and that his continued residence in the Governor's Mansion is  
4 necessary to provide for a smooth and effective transition between governors.  
5 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being  
6 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
7 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its  
8 passage and approval.

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