

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1993**  
4 **By: Representative Davis**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

7 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED 14-27-102  
8 CONCERNING COUNTY INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION COUNCILS;  
9 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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### Subtitle

12 "AN ACT CONCERNING COUNTY INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION  
13 COUNCILS."

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

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18 SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is hereby found and determined by  
19 the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the method of voting as  
20 outlined in Act 510 of 1987, which established the County Intergovernmental  
21 Cooperation Council is heavily weighted in favor of cities and incorporated  
22 towns and due to this inequity has left the rural, unincorporated areas of the  
23 several counties of Arkansas in danger of under representation. It is further  
24 found and determined that it is the public policy of this state to provide  
25 full and equal representation to all of its citizens at all levels and in all  
26 subdivisions of government and that the provisions of this act are necessary  
27 for the furtherance of the goal of fair and equal representation.

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29 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Annotated 14-27-102 is amended to read as  
30 follows:

31 "§ 14-27-102. Creation - Membership, etc.

32 (a) There is established within each county of this state a county  
33 intergovernmental cooperation council to facilitate cooperation among all the  
34 local government subdivisions of each county, to encourage the efficient use  
35 of local government resources, and to eliminate the duplication of services by

1 local governments.

2                 (b) The membership of each cooperation council shall consist of the  
3 county judge, the county clerk, and the mayor of each city and incorporated  
4 town within each county.

5                 (1) The county judge of each county shall serve as chairman and  
6 preside over the cooperation council with a vote and with the power of veto.  
7 It shall require a two-thirds (2/3\_s) majority of all council members to  
8 override a veto. All other members of the council shall have one (1) vote for  
9 the local government jurisdiction they represent on the cooperation council.

10                (2) The county clerk of each county shall serve as the secretary  
11 of the cooperation council, shall preside over cooperation council meetings in  
12 the absence of the council chairman, and shall be responsible for writing and  
13 submitting all reports of the cooperation council.

14                (c) The members of the cooperation council shall serve without  
15 compensation for their services.

16                (d) A quorum shall consist of a majority of the council's membership  
17 and shall be necessary to conduct its business."

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

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

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

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