

1 **State of Arkansas**  
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4 **By: Senator Bell**

# A Bill

**SENATE BILL 241**

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

8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE FORFEITURE OF STATE BENEFITS  
9 FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE WHO ARE CONVICTED OF FELONIES  
10 RELATED TO THEIR EMPLOYMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## **Subtitle**

13 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR FORFEITURE OF STATE BENEFITS BY  
14 STATE EMPLOYEES CONVICTED OF FELONIES."

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

18 *SECTION 1. If an employee of the state of Arkansas is convicted of a*  
19 *felony relating to his or her employment including fraud, embezzlement, theft,*  
20 *or other action involving the wrongful taking of public funds of the state,*  
21 *said employee shall immediately be terminated and the employee shall forfeit*  
22 *any unused annual leave and sick leave. In addition, the employer shall have*  
23 *a right of setoff against any employee contributions made by such employee to*  
24 *any state supported retirement system or alternate retirement plan and against*  
25 *any benefits under the system or plan to which the employee is or may become*  
26 *entitled in the future , for any claim arising from such fraud, embezzlement,*  
27 *theft or other wrongful taking of public funds. An "employee of the state of*  
28 *Arkansas" means any person employed by any state agency, department,*  
29 *institution including an institution of higher education, office, commission,*  
30 *council, board, bureau, committee, legislative body, or other establishment of*  
31 *the state of Arkansas.*

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33 *SECTION 2. The provisions of this act shall be applicable only with*  
34 *respect to convictions for felonies committed after the effective date of this*  
35 *act.*

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

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5 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
6 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
7 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
8 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
9 act are declared to be severable.

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

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*/s/ Senator Bell*

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