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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1071

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT PERTAINING TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR PRISON INDUSTRY
9 ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

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12 "PERTAINING TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR PRISON
13 INDUSTRY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMS."

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

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17 SECTION 1. Subchapter 4 of Chapter 30 of Title 12 of the Arkansas Code
18 is amended by inserting additional sections at the end thereof to read as
19 follows:

20 "12-30-409. Private Sector Prison Industry Enhancement.

21 The Board of Correction and Community Punishment may contract with any
22 private individual, corporation, partnership, or association whereby inmates
23 would assemble, process, fabricate, or repair parts or components for goods
24 or products being manufactured or produced by the private individual or
25 entity. All contracts executed under this section must comply with federal
26 law and must not result in any significant displacement of employed workers
27 in the private sector.

28 12-30-410. Private Sector Prison Industry Enhancement Made Goods;
29 Transportation and Sale.

30 Goods produced in whole or in part by Department of Correction inmates
31 participating in private sector prison industry enhancement programs may be
32 transported and sold in the same manner as goods produced by free persons
33 provided that the inmates participating in the private sector prison industry
34 enhancement programs are paid at least the minimum wage prescribed by state
35 law. The minimum wage requirement does not apply to hobby and craft items

1 produced by the inmates on their own time and with their own resources, nor
2 to inmates working in any other prison industries program.

3 12-30-411. Private Sector Prison Industry Enhancement Persons
4 Committed; Wages; Disposition; Director; Adopt Rules and Regulations.

5 A person committed to the department, who is earning at least minimum
6 wage and is employed pursuant to Sections 12-30-409 and 12-30-410 shall have
7 his or her wages set aside by the warden or supervisor of the facility in a
8 separate wage fund. The director shall promulgate regulations which will
9 protect the inmate_s rights to due process, provide for hearing as necessary
10 before the Crime Victim_s Reparations Board, and govern the disposition of a
11 confined person_s gross monthly wage minus required payroll deductions and
12 payment of necessary work-related incidental expenses for the following
13 purposes:

14 (1) For the support of families and dependent relatives of the
15 respective inmates;

16 (2) For the discharge of any legal obligations, including judgments
17 for restitution;

18 (3) To pay all or a part of the cost of their board, room, clothing,
19 medical, dental, and other correctional services;

20 (4) To provide for funds payable to the inmate upon his or her
21 release;

22 (5) For reimbursing the state for actual value of state property
23 intentionally or willfully and wantonly destroyed by the inmate during his or
24 her commitment;

25 (6) For reimbursing the state for reasonable costs incurred in
26 returning the inmate to the facility to which he or she is committed in the
27 event of escape; and

28 (7) For deposit of an appropriate amount in the Crime Victim_s
29 Reparations Revolving Fund."

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

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35 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to

1 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
2 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
3 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
4 act are declared to be severable.

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6 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
7 hereby repealed.

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