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HOUSE BILL

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4 By: Representatives Baker, Lancaster, Malone, and Calhoun
5 By: Senators Gwatney, Bradford, Scott, Bookout, Fitch, and Russ

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7 For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF SUBCHAPTER 2 OF
9 CHAPTER 4 OF TITLE 15 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE RELATING TO
10 OVERSEAS OPERATIONS OF THE ARKANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
11 COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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14 "AMEND CODE RELATING TO OVERSEAS
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 15-4-210 is amended to read as follows:
20 "15-4-210. Overseas operation - Reports.

21 (a) The Arkansas Industrial Development Commission, with the approval
22 of the Governor, shall open such foreign offices as are deemed appropriate to
23 promote the export and sale of Arkansas products in foreign markets and to
24 develop foreign industry and markets in Arkansas.

25 (b) The Arkansas Industrial Development Commission shall report the
26 progress of these offices annually to the Legislative Council, the
27 Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, and the Governor."

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29 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 15-4-211 is amended to read as follows:
30 "15-4-211. Overseas program - Personnel.

31 (a) The Arkansas Industrial Development Commission is authorized to
32 engage the services of contract employees for the purpose of promoting the
33 development of European industry in Arkansas and the export and sale of
34 Arkansas products in Europe. The combined salaries of all employees shall
35 not exceed the line item appropriation.

1 (b) The Arkansas Industrial Development Commission is hereby
2 authorized to engage the services of contract employees for the purpose of
3 promoting the development of Asian industry in Arkansas and the export and
4 sale of Arkansas products in Asia. The combined salaries for all employees
5 shall not exceed the line item appropriation.

6 (c) The Arkansas Industrial Development Commission is hereby
7 authorized to engage the services of contract employees for the purpose of
8 promoting the development of Latin American industry in Arkansas and the
9 export and sale of Arkansas products in Latin America. The combined salaries
10 for all employees shall not exceed the line item appropriation."

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

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16 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
17 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
18 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
19 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
20 act are declared to be severable.

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

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25 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the
26 General Assembly that the provisions of this act are of critical importance
27 to the state's economic development and potential for marketing Arkansas
28 products in foreign markets. The maintenance of overseas offices is vital to
29 the continuation of market development for Arkansas' efforts. Therefore an
30 emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being necessary for the
31 preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force
32 and effect from and after its passage and approval.

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