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2 80th General Assembly
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4 By: Representative Beatty

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1652

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7 For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 16-93-207 TO REGULATE
9 APPLICATIONS FOR PARDON, COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE, AND
10 REMISSION OF FINES AND FORFEITURES; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES."

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13 Subtitle

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15 REGULATE APPLICATIONS FOR PARDON,
16 COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE, AND REMISSION
17 OF FINES AND FORFEITURES."

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

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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 16-93-207(a) is amended to read as follows:
23 "(a)(1) At least thirty (30) days before granting an application for
24 pardon, commutation of sentence, or remission of fine or forfeiture, the
25 Governor shall file with the Secretary of State a notice of his intention to
26 grant such application.

27 (2) The Governor shall also direct the Arkansas Department of
28 Correction to send notice of his intention to the judge, prosecuting
29 attorney, and sheriff of the county in which the applicant was convicted and,
30 if applicable, to the victim or the victim's next of kin. *The notification*
31 *to the victim or the victim's next of kin shall not be required if the*
32 *conviction occurred more than ten (10) years prior to the filing of the*
33 *notice under subsection (a)(1) of this section.* The filing of such notice
34 shall not preclude the Governor from later denying the application, but any
35 pardon, commutation of sentence, or remission of fine or forfeiture granted

1 without filing such notice shall be null and void."

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

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7 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
8 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
9 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
10 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
11 act are declared to be severable.

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

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16 */s/Rep. Beatty*

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