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2 80th General Assembly  
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4 By: Representatives Booker and Hinshaw

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1685

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO REDUCE THE PERIOD OF TIME A TAXPAYER MAY REDEEM  
TAX DELINQUENT LANDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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### Subtitle

12 "AN ACT TO REDUCE THE PERIOD OF TIME A  
13 TAXPAYER MAY REDEEM TAX DELINQUENT  
14 LANDS."

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

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18 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 26-37-101 is amended to read as follows:  
19 "§ 26-37-101. Transfer of tax-delinquent lands.

20 (a)(1) All lands upon which the taxes have not been paid for one (1)  
21 yearfollowing the date the taxes were due, October 10, shall be forfeited to  
22 the State of Arkansas and transmitted by certification to the Commissioner of  
23 State Lands for collection or sale.

24 (2) No tax-delinquent lands shall be sold at the county level.

25 (b) The county collector shall hold all tax-delinquent lands in the  
26 county for one (1) yearafter the date of delinquency, and, if the lands are  
27 not redeemed by the certification date, which shall be no later than July 1  
28 of the following year, the collector shall transmit it to the state by  
29 certification, after notice as provided in this chapter, indicating all  
30 taxes, penalties, interest, and costs due and the name and last known address  
31 of the owner of record of the tax-delinquent lands.

32 (c) Upon receipt of the certification, title to the tax delinquent  
33 lands shall vest in the State of Arkansas in care of the Commissioner of  
34 State Lands."

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1 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code §26-37-107(b)(1) is amended to read as  
2 follows:

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4                "(b)(1) The publication shall be in substance as follows:

5 "DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAX LIST

6 The Real Estate Tax Books of ..... County reflect the following list of  
7 real property to be delinquent for nonpayment of taxes for the year .....  
8 (The amount included in the "Tax, Penalty and Cost" column may not include  
9 all penalties and costs and will not include interest and special improvement  
10 assessments that may be due at the time of payment.)

| NAME OF OWNER | LEGAL DESCRIPTION                         | BASE    |
|---------------|---|---------|
| DELINQUENCY   |   |         |
| Brown, Bill   | pt. W 1/2 NE SW Sect 6 Twp 17 Rn 5 5 Acs  | \$44.25 |
| Doe, John     | Lot 3 Blk 5 Plainview Add.                | \$31.25 |
| Jones, John   | W 1/2 Lot 8 Blk 54 Meriweather Trust      | \$42.24 |
| Roe, Richard  | SW 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec 12 Twp 18E Rn 6E 40 Acs | \$37.25 |

17 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT said several tracts, lots or parts of lots, will  
18 be held as delinquent for a one-year period from this date and then certified  
19 to the State of Arkansas, Commissioner of State Lands, for collection or to  
20 be sold, unless the delinquent taxes, penalties, and costs are paid before  
21 the end of the one-year period.

22 (Date of Notice) ..... Collector ..... County."

(2) The legal fee for each required publication of delinquent real property tax lists shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per tract per insertion.

28           (c) The receipts for such payment, verified by the certificate of the  
29 county clerk as to its correctness, shall entitle the collector to a credit  
30 for the amount so paid."

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

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

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

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