

1 State of Arkansas
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4 By: Representative Hill

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1775

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED § 16-17-501 TO
PROVIDE THAT ANY CITY WITH A POPULATION OF LESS THAN FIVE
THOUSAND (5,000) PERSONS MAY CREATE A MUNICIPAL COURT; AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

"TO PROVIDE THAT ANY CITY WITH A
POPULATION OF LESS THAN 5,000 PERSONS
MAY CREATE A MUNICIPAL COURT"

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-17-501 is amended to read as follows:

"16-17-501. Generally.

(a) Any city with a population of less than two thousand four hundred (2,400) persons, according to any federal census, which had a municipal court in existence on March 4, 1985, may create a municipal court under this subchapter.

(b) Until July 1, 1995, any city with a population of less than five thousand (5,000) persons, according to any federal census, which had a municipal court in existence on March 4, 1985, may create a municipal court under this subchapter."

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

1 SECTION 3. 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 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
8 hereby repealed.

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10 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the
11 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the City of DeQueen is in need
12 of a municipal court and a municipal judge; that the population of DeQueen is
13 just above the limit set by current law; and that this act will allow DeQueen
14 to create a municipal court immediately. Therefore, an emergency is hereby
15 declared to exist and this act being necessary for the immediate preservation
16 of the public peace, health, and safety, shall be in full force and effect
17 from and after its passage and approval.

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/s/Rep. Hill

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