

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

1 State of Arkansas
2 81st General Assembly
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As Engrossed: S1/27/97

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1101

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5 By: Representatives Jones, *Hausam and Sheppard*

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE VOTE OF THE MAYOR IN CITIES OF THE
10 FIRST CLASS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

15 "AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE VOTE OF THE MAYOR
16 IN CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS; TO DECLARE
17 AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 14-43-501(2)(A) is amended to read as follows:

22 "(2)(A) A majority of the whole number of alderman shall be necessary
23 to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except as otherwise
24 provided in this section."

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26 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 14-43-501(b)(1)(B) is amended to read as
27 follows:

28 "(B) The mayor shall have a vote to establish a quorum of the council,
29 or when his vote is needed to pass any ordinance, bylaw, resolution, order, or
30 motion."

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

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36 SECTION 4. 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 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
7 hereby repealed.

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9 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General
10 Assembly that there are cities in Arkansas whose governing bodies have not
11 been able to meet due to lack of a quorum, and have thus been unable to enact
12 legislation or conduct business which is necessary to the operation of the
13 city and the provision of necessary services to the citizens in the city.
14 Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately
15 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall
16 become effective on the date on its approval by the Governor. If the bill is
17 neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the
18 expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill.
19 If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall
20 become effective on the date the last house overrides the veto.

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/s/Jones

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