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## A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1359

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee  
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### For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED §12-12-322  
10 REPEALING THE PROVISION OF HAZARDOUS DUTY PAY FOR THE  
11 STATE CRIME LABORATORY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."  
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### Subtitle

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14 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED  
15 §12-12-322 REPEALING THE PROVISION OF  
16 HAZARDOUS DUTY PAY FOR THE STATE CRIME  
17 LABORATORY."  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 "Arkansas Code §12-12-322 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 "(a)(1) The State Crime Laboratory is hereby authorized to provide  
23 special compensation to certain employees for each full pay period of eighty  
24 (80) hours worked in a job which requires contact at crime scenes, emergency  
25 sites, or other sites where exposure to potentially hazardous substances is  
26 possible.

27 (2) It is recognized that many substances which may be encountered may  
28 create harmful health effects from either short-term or long-term exposure.

29 (3) This special pay is to compensate the employees for the increased  
30 risk of personal injury.

31 (4) The rate of pay will be ~~five and one-half percent (5.5%) above one~~  
32 and one-half (1 1/2) times the regular authorized hourly pay or hourly rate of  
33 pay and will be paid only for the time while at the site of a clandestine  
34 laboratory.

35 (5) Payment will be controlled by the Executive Director of the State  
36 Crime Laboratory.

1 (b) The rate of pay for individuals who work less than a full pay period  
2 of eighty (80) hours and/or transfer to other work areas not defined above  
3 will not receive any enhanced rate of pay for that or subsequent pay periods.

4 (c) This section covers employees who respond to clandestine laboratory  
5 sites for the purpose of assisting and dismantling of such laboratory sites  
6 and is limited to those employees in the position of:

7 Class

8 Code Title

9 B048 Chief Drug Chemist

10 Y023 Instrumentation Engineer when performing the duties of a Drug  
11 Chemist

12 B057 Forensic Drug Chemist

13 N336 Latent Fingerprint Examiner.

14 (d) A monthly report shall be made to the Legislative Council describing  
15 all payments made to employees under the provisions of this section. ""

16 /s/Russ et al

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