

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

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2144

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5 By: Representative Thomas
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT NONE OF THE ANNEXATION LAWS OF
10 THIS STATE SHALL HAVE APPLICATION IN AN AREA WITHIN ONE-
11 HALF MILE OF THE BOUNDARIES OF ANY STATE PARK LOCATED IN A
12 COUNTY WITH A POPULATION IN EXCESS OF THREE HUNDRED AND
13 FIFTY THOUSAND PERSONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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17 LAWS SHALL HAVE APPLICATION IN AN AREA
18 WITHIN ONE HALF-MILE OF BOUNDARIES OF
19 ANY STATE PARK LOCATED IN A COUNTY WITH
20 A POPULATION IN EXCESS OF THREE HUNDRED
21 AND FIFTY THOUSAND PERSONS."

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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. None of the annexation laws of this state shall have any
26 application in the area within one-half (1/2) mile of the boundaries of any
27 state park located in a county with a population in excess of three hundred
28 and fifty thousand (350,000) persons unless the annexation is approved by a
29 majority of the voters residing within such one-half (1/2) mile area, or the
30 area to be annexed is on the opposite side of a navigable river from the state
31 park. Any order of the county court issued in contradiction hereof is void,
32 if the order is issued after the effective date of this act.

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

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

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 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

/s/Rep. Thomas