

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

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2 81st General Assembly
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2249

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5 By: Representative Booker

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE FIRST CLASS CITIES TO CREATE CITIZENS
10 POLICE REVIEW BOARDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

13 "TO AUTHORIZE FIRST CLASS CITIES TO
14 CREATE CITIZENS POLICE REVIEW BOARDS."

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

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18 SECTION 1. Each first class city in this state may establish by
19 ordinance a Citizens Police Review Board to be composed of five (5) members
20 appointed by the governing body of the city. The membership of the board must
21 reflect the diversity of the residents of the city.

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23 SECTION 2. Citizens Police Review Boards created in accordance with
24 this act shall investigate and review any complaints of alleged misconduct or
25 improprieties by the certified law enforcement officers of the city. A
26 Citizens Police Review Board may present its findings and recommendations to
27 either the civil service commission of that city or the prosecuting attorney.
28 If the board refers its findings and recommendations to the civil service
29 commission, the commission must act upon the boards findings and
30 recommendations within a reasonable period of time established by the
31 ordinance creating the Citizens Police Review Board.

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33 SECTION 3. Citizens Police Review Boards may issue subpoenas to compel
34 the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, documents, and
35 records.

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1 SECTION 4. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
2 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
3 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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

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11 SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
12 hereby repealed.

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/s/Rep. Booker

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