

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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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 238

4  
5 By: Senator Gordon

## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO  
10 REFER TO THE HOUSE AND SENATE INTERIM COMMITTEES ON STATE  
11 AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS INSTEAD OF THE JOINT  
12 INTERIM COMMITTEE ON STATE AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTAL  
13 AFFAIRS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

16 "AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS  
17 CODE TO REFER TO HOUSE AND SENATE  
18 INTERIM COMMITTEES ON STATE AGENCIES &  
19 GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS INSTEAD OF THE  
20 JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE ON STATE  
21 AGENCIES & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS."

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

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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 12-27-129(a) is amended to read as follows:

26 "(a) The Department of Correction may report to the ~~Joint Interim~~  
27 ~~Committee~~ House and Senate Interim Committees on State Agencies and  
28 Governmental Affairs no later than December 1 of each year regarding its  
29 efforts in rehabilitating the inmate population."

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31 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 15-4-1405(a) is amended to read as follows:

32 "(a) The center shall submit an annual report based on the fiscal year  
33 on or before December 31 of each year to the Governor and shall mail the  
34 report to the Legislative Council of the General Assembly to be reviewed by  
35 the ~~Joint Interim Committee~~ House and Senate Interim Committees on State  
36 Agencies and Governmental Affairs."

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2 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 25-10-102(b)(1) is amended to read as follows:

3 "(b)(1) Each division of the Department of Human Services shall be  
4 under the direction, control, and supervision of the director. The Director  
5 of the Department of Human Services may, from time to time, transfer or assign  
6 existing duties or new programs or duties of the department to offices,  
7 sections, or units as he deems necessary for the efficient and necessary  
8 operation of the department. Prior to implementation of any reorganization,  
9 the Director of the Department of Human Services shall obtain the advice of  
10 the ~~Joint Interim Committee~~ House and Senate Interim Committees on State  
11 Agencies and Governmental Affairs."

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13 SECTION 4. Section 3(b) of uncodified Act 1265 of 1995 is amended to  
14 read as follows:

15 "(b) If the Geological Commission votes against the merger of any or  
16 all of its programs or divisions it shall conduct a quality management review  
17 of the programs of the Geological Commission and specifically review the  
18 location, cost and equality of the Arkansas Geology Museum and determine  
19 whether it is in the best interest of the state for the museum to remain a  
20 stand alone entity or merge with the Museum of Natural Science and History or  
21 other museum. The Geological Commission is authorized to transfer the museum  
22 and all of its duties, powers, functions, actions, assets, properties and  
23 appropriations at any time. If the Geological Commission votes to merge any  
24 or all of its programs or divisions with the Soil and Water Conservation  
25 Commission, the quality management review shall be conducted by the Soil and  
26 Water Conservation Commission on such programs or divisions. A report of the  
27 results of the quality management review shall be prepared and filed no later  
28 than July 1, 1996 with the Governor, the ~~Joint Interim Committee~~ House and  
29 Senate Interim Committees on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs and the  
30 ~~Joint Interim Committee~~ House and Senate Interim Committees on City, County  
31 and Local Affairs."

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33 SECTION 5. Section 4 of uncodified Act 1265 of 1995 is amended to read  
34 as follows:

35 "SECTION 4. Both the Arkansas Geological Commission and the soil and  
36 Water Conservation Commission shall also prepare and file no later than July

1 1, 1996 a report to the Governor, the ~~Joint Interim Committee~~ House and Senate  
2 Interim Committees on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs, and the ~~Joint~~  
3 ~~Interim Committee~~ House and Senate Interim Committees on City, County, and  
4 Local Affairs regarding the benefits of the merger in the future."

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6 SECTION 6. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
7 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
8 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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

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16 SECTION 8. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
17 hereby repealed.

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19 SECTION 9. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General  
20 Assembly that Act 10 of the First Extraordinary Session of 1995 abolished the  
21 Joint Interim Committee on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs and in its  
22 place established the House Interim Committee and Senate Interim Committee on  
23 State Agencies and Governmental Affairs; that various sections of the  
24 Arkansas Code refer to the Joint Interim Committee on State Agencies and  
25 Governmental Affairs and should be corrected to refer to the House and Senate  
26 Interim Committees on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs; that this act  
27 so provides; and that this act should go into effect immediately in order to  
28 make the laws compatible as soon as possible. Therefore, an emergency is  
29 declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the  
30 preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall become effective on  
31 the date of its approval by the Governor. If the bill is neither approved nor  
32 vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the  
33 period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is  
34 vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective  
35 on the date the last house overrides the veto.

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