

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

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 468

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5 By: Senator Bearden

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO PERMIT LEGAL NOTICES TO BE PUBLISHED BY
10 BROADCAST ON CABLE TELEVISION, COMMERCIAL RADIO OR
11 COMMERCIAL TELEVISION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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15 PUBLISHED BY BROADCAST ON CABLE
16 TELEVISION, COMMERCIAL RADIO OR
17 COMMERCIAL TELEVISION; AND FOR OTHER
18 PURPOSES."

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

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22 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any and all contrary provisions of law,
23 legal notices which are required to be published by the laws of this state or
24 by the rules of the courts of this state may be published by broadcast on
25 cable television, commercial radio or commercial television provided that the
26 cable television, commercial radio or commercial television station
27 broadcasting the legal notice is televised or broadcast in all of the cities,
28 towns, and counties required to receive notice through publication in a
29 newspaper. Persons required to publish a legal notice may use any one (1) of
30 the above methods of publication in lieu of any other method of publication or
31 in lieu of publication by newspaper.

32 (1) The televised or radio legal notice shall be broadcast during the
33 hour between six (6:00) a.m. and nine (9:00) a.m. or between three (3:00) p.m.
34 and seven (7:00) p.m. or between eight (8:00) p.m. and eleven (11:00) p.m. and
35 shall be televised or broadcast for a minimum of thirty (30) continuous
36 seconds per broadcast.

1 (2) The television screen shall contain the words "Legal Notice" in a
2 conspicuous manner and any radio notice shall also state the same.

3 (3) The legal notice shall be televised on cable television or
4 broadcast on commercial radio or commercial television the same number of
5 times and for the same period of time as required of the notice through
6 publication in a newspaper.

7 (4) The broadcast media shall comply with all legal publication
8 requirements set forth in this act, which currently exist and which apply to
9 the print media including, but not limited to, providing certification that
10 the television or radio broadcast occurred in compliance with Arkansas law.

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

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

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

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/s/Bearden

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