State of Arkansas 1 As Engrossed: H3/29/99 S4/7/99 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly 3 Regular Session, 1999 HOUSE BILL 2191 4 5 By: Representative Faris 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE AUCTIONEERS LICENSED AFTER JANUARY 9 1, 1999 TO COMPLETE SIX (6) HOURS OF CONTINUING 10 EDUCATION ANNUALLY AS A CONDITION OF RENEWAL OF HIS OR 11 12 HER AUCTIONEER LICENSE; TO PROVIDE THAT THE CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE 13 AUCTIONEER'S LICENSING BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 14 15 **Subtitle** 16 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE AUCTIONEERS TO 17 18 COMPLETE SIX (6) HOURS OF CONTINUING EDUCATION ANNUALLY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE 19 20 CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE AUCTIONEER'S LICENSING 21 22 BOARD. " 23 24 25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 26 SECTION 1. Title 17, Chapter 17 of the Arkansas Code is amended to add 27 28 the following section to be appropriately numbered by the Arkansas Code 29 Revision Commission: "Continuing Education. 30 (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), every application to the 31 32 Auctioneer's Licensing Board for annual renewal of the license of an 33 auctioneer shall be accompanied by proof that the applicant has satisfactorily completed six (6) hours of continuing education in approved programs within 34 the preceding twelve (12) month period. No auctioneer's license shall be 35 renewed unless the application for renewal is accompanied by the proof 36

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- (b) All programs of continuing education for licensed auctioneers shall be subject to approval of the Auctioneer's Licensing Board. The board is subject to authorized to prescribe by regulations the minimum standards and requirements for continuing education programs for auctioneers, the procedures and policies for administering such programs, and the manner and conditions under which credit will be granted for participation in such programs.
- (c) The continuing education requirements of this section shall not be applicable to any person who has been licensed as an auctioneer or auction house owner or operator by the Arkansas Auctioneer's Licensing Board for a period of ten (10) consecutive years or more and who was at least fifty-five (55) years of age as of June 30, 1999."

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- SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 17-17-308 is amended to read as follows:
- 15 "17-17-308. Suspension or revocation.
- The board may suspend or revoke the license of an auctioneer for any of the following causes:
- 18 (1) Obtaining a license through false or fraudulent19 representation;
 - (2) Pursuing a continued and flagrant course of misrepresentation or making false promises through agents or advertising or otherwise;
 - (3) Failing to account for or remit, within a reasonable time, any money belonging to others that comes into his possession;
 - (4) Commingling funds of others with his own, or failing to keep such funds of others in an escrow or trustee account;
 - (5) Paying valuable consideration to any person for services performed in violation of this chapter;
- 28 (6) Being convicted in a court of competent jurisdiction of this 29 or any other state of a criminal offense involving moral turpitude or a 30 felony;
- 31 (7) Willful violation of a rule or regulation promulgated by the 32 board:
- 33 (8) Failure to furnish voluntarily to the signing party at the 34 time of execution copies of all written instruments prepared by the 35 auctioneer, and signed by the other party;
- 36 (9) Any conduct of an auctioneer which demonstrates bad faith,

1	dishonesty, incompetency, or untruthfulness; or
2	(10) Any other conduct that constitutes improper, fraudulent, or
3	dishonest dealings- <u>; or</u>
4	(11) Failing to complete or submit the continuing education
5	requirements as specified by this chapter and the rules and regulations
6	adopted by the board."
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8	SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
9	are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
10	Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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12	SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
13	any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
14	other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
15	the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
16	act are declared to be severable.
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18	SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
19	hereby repealed.
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