State of Arkansas 1 As Engrossed: H3/22/99 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly 3 Regular Session, 1999 SENATE BILL 376 4 By: Senator Mahony 5 By: Representative P. Malone 6 7 8 For An Act To Be Entitled 9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 26-54-107 PERTAINING TO 10 THE COMPUTATION OF TAXES OF CORPORATIONS; AND FOR 11 12 OTHER PURPOSES. " 13 **Subtitle** 14 "TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 26-54-107 15 16 PERTAINING TO THE COMPUTATION OF TAXES OF CORPORATIONS. " 17 18 19 20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 21 22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 26-54-107(b) and (c) are amended to read as 23 follows: "(b)(1) If the taxpayer fails to comply with the filing and remittance 24 requirements prescribed in § 26-54-105(c) by June 1, the Secretary of State 25 shall assess the corporation for the additional tax due and a penalty of ten 26 percent (10%) of the total amount of the deficiency, in addition to interest 27 28 to be collected on the deficiency at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum a 29 penalty of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) plus interest on the tax and penalty from the date due until paid, at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum. 30 Provided, however, that the franchise tax, penalty and interest for any tax 31 year shall not exceed two (2) times the corporations' tax owed. 32 (2) On or before November 1, of each year, the Secretary of State 33 shall mail notice to the corporation at its last known address stating that 34 35 the corporation is subject to forfeiture of its corporate charter under § 26-54-111 for the failure to pay corporate franchise tax. 36

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1 (c)(1) A corporation may seek relief from any proposed assessment of 2 taxes pursuant to the Arkansas Administrative Procedure Act, §25-15-201 et 3 seq. 4 (2) Except as provided in § 26-54-106(c) [repealed], this This 5 method shall be the exclusive method for seeking relief." 6 7 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature 8 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code 9 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code. 10 If any provision of this act or the application thereof to 11 SECTION 3. 12 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect 13 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 14 15 act are declared to be severable. 16 17 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are 18 hereby repealed. 19 20 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Eighty-second General Assembly that a delay in the effective date of this Act 21 22 would be after the tax due date and would work irreparable harm upon the 23 proper administration of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an 24 emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall become effective 25 on the date of its approval by the Governor. If the bill is neither approved 26 nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the 27 28 period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is 29 vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective 30 on the date the last house overrides the veto. 31 /s/ Mahony, et al