

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

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2 82nd General Assembly
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As Engrossed: S3/8/99
A Bill

SENATE BILL 657

5 By: Senator Hoofman
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 20-28-105 TO LOWER
10 THE WATER TESTING FEES AND MAKE ARKANSAS LAW
11 CONSISTENT TO AND COMPLY WITH THE FEDERAL SAFE
12 DRINKING WATER ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."
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14 **Subtitle**

15 "TO LOWER THE WATER TESTING FEES AND MAKE
16 STATE LAW CONSISTENT TO AND COMPLY WITH
17 THE FEDERAL SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT."
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-28-105(b), regarding the fees charged by
23 water systems on each water bill, is amended to read as follows:

24 "(b) All water systems issuing regular water bills for water service
25 may recover the cost of the fees stated in § 20-28-104 by one (1) of the
26 following methods:

27 (1) Assessing a direct charge on each bill of not more than
28 ~~twenty-five cents (25¢)~~ fifteen cents (15¢) per month per service connection;
29 or

30 (2) Apportioning the total amount of the annual fee charged to
31 the water system among its customers in any manner that the water system
32 determines to be more equitable; provided, however, that no charge in excess
33 of ~~twenty-five cents (25¢)~~ fifteen cents (15¢) per month per service shall be
34 charged for any service through which water is provided to another community
35 public water system."
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1 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 20-28-104(a) is amended to read as follows:

2 “(a) The Department of Health is authorized to collect the following
3 annual fees from each public water system for service provided, other than
4 plan reviews, by the public water system supervision program:

5 (1) Community water systems and nontransient noncommunity water
6 systems: not more than ~~twenty-five cents (25¢)~~ fifteen (15¢) per service
7 connection per month;

8 (2) Noncommunity: one hundred dollars (\$100);

9 (3) The minimum fee charged to a community water system or a
10 nontransient noncommunity water system is two hundred dollars (\$200) per year;

11 (4) The number of service connections for nontransient
12 noncommunity water systems shall be calculated by dividing the population
13 served by two and one-half (2.5);

14 (5) The number of service connections for community public water
15 systems not serving discrete service connections shall be calculated by
16 dividing the population served by two and one-half (2.5).”

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

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22 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
23 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
24 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
25 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
26 act are declared to be severable.

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28 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
29 hereby repealed.

30 /s/ Hoofman