

**Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.**

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# A Bill

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HOUSE BILL 1589

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5 By: Representatives Mack, Teague

6 By: Senators Hill, *Faris*

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## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

10 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 14-53-102 TO  
11 PROVIDE CITIES AND TOWNS WITH AUTHORITY TO BUILD  
12 OR CONSTRUCT FACILITIES OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS  
13 TO HOUSE FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY  
14 AND FIRE FIGHTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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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 14-53-102(a), concerning a city's authority  
26 for fire fighting beyond its corporate limits, is amended to read as follows:

27 (a)(1) In order to prevent the destruction by fire of property located  
28 outside the corporate limits of cities and towns and in order to lessen the  
29 loss caused on account of insufficient means to combat fires and as a  
30 protection against such loss, the city council or other governing body of any  
31 city or town having an organized fire department may, by ordinance, provide  
32 that the fire fighting machinery and equipment, with the necessary fire  
33 fighters to operate it, may be used to combat fires beyond the corporate  
34 limits of any city or town, upon such terms, conditions, and restrictions as  
35 *may be prescribed in the ordinance.*

36 (2) If the city council or other governing body of any city or

1 town enacts an ordinance to provide that its fire department may operate  
2 beyond its corporate limits, then the governing body of the city or town may  
3 further provide that necessary facilities may be built or constructed outside  
4 the corporate limits to house the fire fighting machinery, equipment and the  
5 firefighters in order to properly combat fires beyond the corporate limits,  
6 but only if:

7 (A) There are no active fire protection services offered in  
8 the area beyond the corporate limits of the city or town where the facilities  
9 are to be constructed; and

10 (B) The county quorum court approves of the construction of  
11 the fire-fighting facilities by a county ordinance.

12 (3) However, a city or town may construct necessary facilities to  
13 house the fire-fighting equipment in areas where fire protection services  
14 currently exist if, in addition to the requirement of subdivision (a)(2) of  
15 this section, the construction is approved by a unanimous vote of the board of  
16 directors of the fire department serving that area outside the corporate  
17 limits.

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