1 State of Arkansas A Bill 2 83rd General Assembly HOUSE BILL 2260 3 Regular Session, 2001 4 5 By: Representative Hendren 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 14-14-904 TO AUTHORIZE 9 THE COUNTY QUORUM COURT TO CREATE ALL ITS REGULAR 10 11 COMMITTEES OF THE QUORUM COURT AND TO PRESCRIBE ITS 12 OWN RULES AND PROCEDURES BY ORDINANCE; AND FOR OTHER 13 PURPOSES. 14 **Subtitle** 15 TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY QUORUM COURT TO 16 CREATE ITS REGULAR COMMITTEES AND TO 17 18 PRESCRIBE ITS OWN RULES AND PROCEDURES 19 BY ORDINANCE. 20 21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 22 23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 14-14-904(d), concerning the Legislative 24 25 procedures for the county quorum court, is amended to read as follows: 26 (d) Presiding Officer. The county judge shall preside over the quorum court without a vote but with the power of veto. In the absence of the county 27 judge, a quorum of the justices by majority vote shall elect one (1) of their 28 29 number to preside but without the power to veto. The presiding officer shall appoint justices to all regular and special committees of a quorum court, 30 31 subject to any procedural rules for creation of any regular committees which may be adopted by ordinance, and subject to a ratifying vote on the 32 33 appointments to each regular committee by a majority vote of the whole number of the quorum court. No justice shall be appointed to a second regular 34 35 committee until all justices have been assigned to at least one (1) regular 36 committee. The presiding officer shall appoint justices to serve as a

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1	chairpersons for all regular committees, except that no justice shall serve
2	as chairperson of more than one (1) regular committee concurrently. The
3	presiding officer shall appoint any special committees and appoint the
4	justices to serve as members of those special committees.
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6	SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 14-14-904(e), concerning the legislative
7	procedures for the county quorum court, is amended to read as follows:
8	(e) Procedural Rules and Attendance of Meetings. Except as otherwise
9	provided by law, the quorum court of each county shall, by ordinance,
10	determine its rules of procedure and shall provide for the creation of all
11	regular committees of the quorum court and provide for its own organization
12	and management of its affairs. The quorum court may compel the attendance of
13	absent members in such manner and under such penalties as may be prescribed
14	by ordinance.
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