

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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2 83rd General Assembly

A Bill

3 Regular Session, 2001

HOUSE BILL 2272

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5 By: Representative R. Smith

6 By: Senator T. Smith

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For An Act To Be Entitled

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AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 4-27-504 TO

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INCREASE METHODS OF SERVICE ON A CORPORATION WHEN

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THERE IS NO REGISTERED AGENT; AND FOR OTHER

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PURPOSES.

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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 4-27-504 is amended to read as follows:

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A. A corporation's registered agent is the corporation's agent for

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service of process, notice, or demand required or permitted by law to be

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served on the corporation.

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B. If a corporation has no registered agent, or the agent cannot, with

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reasonable diligence be served, the corporation may be served by registered

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or certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the secretary of

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the corporation at its principal office. ~~Service is perfected under this~~

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~~subsection at the earliest of:~~

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~~1. The date the corporation receives the mail;~~

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~~2. The date shown on the return receipt, if signed on behalf of the~~

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~~corporation; or~~

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~~3. Five (5) days after its deposit in the United States mail, as~~

1 ~~evidenced by the postmark, if mailed postpaid and correctly~~
2 ~~addressed.~~

3 C. If a corporation has no registered agent, or the agent cannot, with
4 reasonable due diligence, be served and service has been attempted and failed
5 under subsection B., service of process, notice, or demand required or
6 permitted by law to be served on the corporation may be made upon any
7 corporation with twenty-five (25) or less locations by physical personal
8 service on any officer of the corporation at any location of the corporation.

9 D. Subsection C. shall not apply to public utilities.

10 ~~E.~~ E. This section does not prescribe the only means, or necessarily
11 the required means, of serving a corporation.

12 /s/ R. Smith

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