

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.

1 State of Arkansas
2 83rd General Assembly
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2516

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5 By: Representative T. Steele
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO CREATE A CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION WITHIN THE
10 OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 AN ACT TO CREATE A CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION
15 WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY
16 GENERAL.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. (a) There is created within the Office of the Attorney
22 General a Civil Rights Division.

23 (b) The Civil Rights Division shall have the following functions,
24 powers, and duties:

25 (1) To receive complaints alleging violations of the Arkansas
26 Civil Rights Act of 1993;

27 (2) To assist, advise, and cooperate with federal, state, and
28 local agencies and officials to enforce the civil rights laws of the various
29 jurisdictions;

30 (3) To conduct investigations of alleged civil rights violations
31 which may include the referral of complaints to federal, state and local
32 agencies;

33 (4) To promote education regarding civil rights and to undertake
34 activities to encourage business, industry, and individuals to maintain high
35 standards of honesty and non-discriminatory business practices;

36 (5) To study the operation of Arkansas laws addressing civil

1 rights and to recommend to the General Assembly needed changes to those laws;
2 and
3 (6) To study the operation of state agency regulations
4 addressing civil rights and to recommend to the state agencies needed changes
5 to those regulations.

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