

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

SENATE BILL 247

5 By: Senators Mahony, Beebe
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CODE TO REMOVE LANGUAGE
10 THAT AUTHORIZED THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES TO MAKE
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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 10-3-101 is amended to read as follows:

26 10-3-101. Presession assignment of regular standing committees.

27 The presession assignments of members of regular standing Senate and
28 House committees and the designation of committee chairman and vice chairman
29 shall be made ~~by the Senate Committee on Committees in the Senate pursuant to~~
30 the Senate Rules and in the House by the House Speaker-elect as soon as is
31 feasible after each biennial general election.
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33 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 10-3-701(c), concerning the Joint Committee on
34 Public Retirement and Social Security Programs, is amended to read as follows:

35 (c)(1) ~~The Committee on Committees of the Senate shall name, at~~ At the
36 commencement of each regular session of the General Assembly ~~or at any time a~~

1 ~~vacancy exists,~~ ten (10) members of the Senate shall be named pursuant to the
2 Senate Rules to serve on the joint committee. Vacancies shall be filled
3 pursuant to the Senate Rules.

4 (2) ~~The Senate Committee on Committees shall designate~~ Pursuant
5 to the Senate Rules one (1) Senate member of the committee shall be designated
6 to serve as Senate cochairman of the committee and one (1) Senate member shall
7 be designated to serve as Senate vice chairman of the committee.

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9 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 10-3-802 is amended to read as follows:

10 10-3-802. Joint Standing Committee on Energy - Membership - Cochairmen.

11 (a) There is created a joint standing committee of the House of
12 Representatives and the Senate of the Arkansas General Assembly to be known as
13 the "Joint Committee on Energy".

14 (b)(1) The committee shall be a select committee of the House and
15 Senate, whose members shall be chosen as follows:

16 (A) Seven (7) members of the Senate to be named ~~by the~~
17 ~~Senate Committee on Committees~~ pursuant to the Senate Rules; and

18 (B) Thirteen (13) members of the House of Representatives
19 to be selected as provided by House Rule.

20 (2)(A) Each Senate member is authorized to appoint a member of
21 the Senate to serve as his or her alternate on the committee; and

22 (B) One (1) alternate member for each of the thirteen (13)
23 House members shall, according to House Rule, be selected as prescribed by
24 House Rule.

25 (3) Senate members and alternate Senate members of the Joint
26 Committee on Energy shall be appointed at each regular biennial session of the
27 General Assembly and shall serve until the convening of the next regular
28 session of the General Assembly.

29 (c) Members appointed to the Joint Committee on Energy shall serve on
30 the committee in addition to their service on the regular standing and select
31 committees of the Senate.

32 (d)(1)(A) ~~The Senate Committee on Committees shall designate one~~ One
33 (1) of the Senate members of the Joint Committee on Energy shall be designated
34 pursuant to the Senate Rules to serve as the Senate cochairman of the
35 committee.

36 (B) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall

1 designate two (2) of the House members appointed to the Joint Committee on
2 Energy to serve as the House cochairman and co-vice chairman of the committee.

3 (2) The cochairmen of the Joint Committee on Energy shall preside
4 at alternate meetings of the committee unless the cochairmen shall agree
5 otherwise.

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7 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code 10-3-901(a), concerning the Joint Performance
8 Review Committee, is amended to read as follows:

9 (a) There is hereby created the "Joint Performance Review Committee",
10 which shall consist of twenty (20) members of the House of Representatives to
11 be selected as prescribed by House Rule and seven (7) members of the Senate to
12 be appointed ~~by the Senate Committee on Committees~~ pursuant to the Senate
13 Rules. There shall be a Senate cochairman and a House cochairman and a Senate
14 vice chairman and a House vice chairman of the committee. The House cochairman
15 and House vice chairman shall be selected according to House Rules. The Senate
16 cochairman and Senate vice chairman shall be selected according to Senate
17 Rules.

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19 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code 10-3-1703 is amended to read as follows:

20 10-3-1703. Joint Committee on Advanced Communications and Information
21 Technology - Membership - Cochairmen.

22 (a)(1) There is created a joint standing committee of the House of
23 Representatives and the Senate of the General Assembly to be known as the
24 "Joint Committee on Advanced Communications and Information Technology".

25 (2) This joint committee shall function as established by law.

26 (b)(1) The committee shall be a select committee of the House of
27 Representatives and the Senate, whose members shall be chosen as follows:

28 (A)(i) Seven (7) members of the Senate, ~~to be named by the~~
29 ~~President Pro Tempore, and with vacancies to be filled by the Committee on~~
30 ~~Committees without regard to the Senate rule on seniority~~ consist of the
31 members of the Senate Committee on Technology and Legislative Affairs.

32 (ii) ~~Each Senate member is authorized to appoint a~~
33 ~~member of the Senate to serve as his or her alternate on the committee~~ Any
34 vacancy shall be filled according to the Senate rules on seniority; and

35 (B)(i) ~~Seven (7)~~ Ten (10) members of the House of
36 Representatives to be selected by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

1 (ii)(a) One (1) alternate member for each of the
2 House members shall be selected by the Speaker.

3 (b) Vacancies in the House membership on the
4 committee shall be filled by the Speaker in accordance with House rules.

5 (2) In the event a vacancy shall occur on the Joint Committee on
6 Advanced Communications and Information Technology, the vacancy shall be
7 filled in the manner as provided for in this section.

8 (c) Members appointed to the Joint Committee on Advanced Communications
9 and Information Technology shall serve on the committee in addition to their
10 service on the regular standing, joint, and select committees.

11 (d)(1) ~~The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall designate one (1)~~
12 ~~of the Senate members of the Joint Committee on Advanced Communications and~~
13 ~~Information Technology to serve as the Senate cochairman of the committee~~ The
14 chairperson of the Senate Committee on Technology and Legislative Affairs
15 shall serve as the Senate cochairperson of the committee, and the Speaker of
16 the House of Representatives shall designate one (1) of the House members
17 appointed to the Joint Committee on Advanced Communications and Information
18 Technology to serve as the House cochairman of the committee.

19 (2) The cochairmen of the Joint Committee on Advanced
20 Communications and Information Technology shall preside at alternate meetings
21 of the committee, unless the cochairmen shall agree otherwise.

22 /s/ Mahony
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