1 State of Arkansas A Bill 2 83rd General Assembly SENATE BILL 484 3 Regular Session, 2001 4 5 By: Senator B. Johnson 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 15, CHAPTER 4, SUBCHAPTER 5 OF 9 THE ARKANSAS CODE PERTAINING TO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT 10 11 CORPORATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. 12 **Subtitle** 13 AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 15, CHAPTER 4, 14 15 SUBCHAPTER 5 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE 16 PERTAINING TO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT 17 CORPORATIONS. 18 19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 20 21 22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 15-4-501 is amended to read as follows: 23 15-4-501. Purpose - Incorporators. In order to encourage and promote the economic, agricultural and industrial 24 25 development of any city, town, or county in this state, not less than fifteen 26 (15) natural persons of the age of twenty-one (21) years or more who are residents of such city, town, or county may act as incorporators of a 27 28 corporation to be organized under this act by executing articles of 29 incorporation as provided in this act. 30 31 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 15-4-502(a)(1), pertaining to articles of 32 incorporation of industrial development corporations, is amended to read as 33 follows: (1) The name of the corporation, which name shall include the 34 name of the city, town, or county and the words "industrial development" or 35 36 "economic development" and the word "corporation", "incorporated", "inc.", or

"company". The name shall be such as to distinguish it from any other corporation organized and existing under the laws of this state;

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- SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 15-4-509(4), pertaining to the powers of industrial development corporations, is amended to read as follows:
- (4) To encourage and promote the economic, agricultural and industrial development of its city, town, or county;

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- SECTION 4. Arkansas Code 15-4-513(a) is amended to read as follows:
- Each corporation organized under the provisions of this act shall be operated without profit to its members. All revenues of the corporation derived from lands subject to mortgage or deed of trust given to secure the payment of bonds or other obligations of the corporation shall be devoted first to the payment of taxes, insurance, and, in the instance of damage to the mortgaged property of the corporation caused by acts of God, to the extent of the amount in excess of insurance recovery as shall be required to restore the property to its condition prior to the time of the damage. Revenues shall be devoted then to the payment of interest on and principal of the bonds or other obligations of the corporation secured by the mortgage or deed of trust as they mature and according to the terms of the mortgage or deed of trust, and thereafter to the encouragement and promotion of the economic,
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SECTION 5. Arkansas Code 15-4-523 is amended to read as follows: 15-4-523. Authorized investors.

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(a) Any city or town in this state; any board, commission, or other authority duly established by ordinance of any such city or town; or the boards of trustees, respectively, of the firemen's relief and pension fund and the policemen's pension and relief fund of any such city or town may invest any of its funds not immediately needed for its purposes in the bonds or other obligations of any industrial or economic development corporation having its principal office in the county in which any such city or town is located.

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(b) The board of trustees of any retirement system created by the General Assembly, in its discretion, may invest its funds in first lien coupon bonds of any corporation organized under the provisions of this act.

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