

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  
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## A Bill

SENATE BILL 575

5 By: Senator T. Smith  
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### For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROVIDE BAILIFFS FOR THE CIRCUIT,  
10 CHANCERY, AND CIRCUIT-CHANCERY COURTS OF THE  
11 EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.  
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### Subtitle

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15 CIRCUIT, CHANCERY, AND CIRCUIT-CHANCERY  
16 COURTS OF THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL  
17 DISTRICT.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. (a) The circuit, chancery, and circuit-chancery judges of  
24 the Eighteenth Judicial District – East may each appoint one (1) court  
25 bailiff and, by concurrence of a majority of the judges in the circuit, two  
26 at-large bailiffs to serve as circumstances warrant.

27 (b)(1) The duties of the bailiffs shall include:

28 (A) The supervision and maintenance of order in the  
29 courtroom;

30 (B) Providing security for the judges, officers of the  
31 court, jurors, and other individuals involved in court proceedings;

32 (C) Administering oaths; and

33 (D) Other related duties as assigned by the judges.

34 (2) When acting within the scope of their duties, the court  
35 bailiffs shall exercise all the powers necessary and proper to perform their  
36 duties, including the powers of a deputy sheriff and the power to make

1 arrests, carry a weapon, and serve summons.

2 (3) The bailiffs shall have and maintain law enforcement  
3 certification as is necessary to fully perform the functions of their office.

4 (c)(1) The compensation package of the bailiffs shall be determined by  
5 the Garland County Quorum Court. If the Garland County Quorum Court raises  
6 salary benefits for county employees, it shall also raise salary or benefits  
7 an equivalent amount for the bailiffs.

8 (2) Any other employment or salary considerations will be governed by  
9 Garland County's Job Evaluation Salary Administration Program.

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11 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY. It is found and determined by the General  
12 Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the circuit, chancery, and circuit-  
13 chancery judges of the Eighteenth Judicial District – East should be provided  
14 bailiffs as are other courts in the state to maintain order and provide  
15 security for the judge, jury, witnesses, and defendants. Therefore, an  
16 emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for  
17 the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall become  
18 effective on the date of its approval by the Governor. If the bill is  
19 neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the  
20 expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill.  
21 If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall  
22 become effective on the date the last house overrides the veto.

23 /s/ T. Smith  
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