

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 84th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2003

# A Bill

SENATE BILL 915

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5 By: Senators Whitaker, J. Jeffress, T. Smith  
6 By: Representatives Stovall, Hardwick, Lamoureux, Pritchard, C. Taylor, Verkamp, Wood

## For An Act To Be Entitled

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11 PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER  
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## Subtitle

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17 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 10-3-901 is amended to read as follows:  
23 10-3-901. Creation - Members - Meetings - Expenses.

24 (a)(1) There is hereby created the "Joint Performance Review  
25 Committee", which shall consist of twenty (20) members of the House of  
26 Representatives to be selected as prescribed by House Rules and ten (10)  
27 members of the Senate to be appointed pursuant to the Senate Rules.

28 (2) There shall be a Senate cochair and a House cochair and a  
29 Senate vice chair and a House vice chair of the committee.

30 (3) The House cochair and House vice chair shall be selected  
31 according to House Rules.

32 (4) The Senate cochair and Senate vice chair shall be selected  
33 according to Senate Rules.

34 (b)(1) The House members of the committee and the Senate members of  
35 the committee may meet separately as separate committees of the House and  
36 Senate or may meet jointly as a joint committee at such times as to which the



1 House and Senate membership agree to the holding of joint meetings.

2 (2) The committee may meet at such places within the state as it  
3 deems appropriate.

4 (c) At all joint meetings of the committee, a quorum shall consist of  
5 a majority of the Senate members of the committee and a majority of the House  
6 members of the committee.

7 (d) All votes taken at each joint meeting of the committee shall be by  
8 separate Senate vote and separate House vote, and no motion shall pass unless  
9 it receives a favorable vote of the majority of the members of the House  
10 committee and a favorable vote of the majority of the members of the Senate  
11 committee.

12 (e) Members of the committee shall be entitled to per diem and mileage  
13 at the rate provided by law to be paid from funds appropriated for payment of  
14 per diem and mileage for attendance at meetings of interim committees of the  
15 House and Senate.

16 (f)(1)(A) When meeting as a joint committee, the committee may, upon  
17 approval of a majority of the House membership of the committee and a  
18 majority of the Senate membership of the committee, subpoena persons,  
19 documents, and records.

20 (B) However, no action of the joint committee regarding  
21 the exercise of the subpoena power shall be taken except upon notice of at  
22 least one (1) week to all members of the committee or upon a two-thirds (2/3)  
23 vote of the House membership of the committee and two-thirds (2/3) vote of  
24 the Senate membership of the committee.

25 (2)(A) If the House members meet as a separate committee under  
26 subsection (b), the House committee may, upon approval of a majority of the  
27 membership of the House committee, subpoena persons, documents, and records.

28 (B) However, no action of the House committee regarding  
29 the exercise of the subpoena power shall be taken except upon notice of at  
30 least one (1) week to all members of the House committee or upon a two-thirds  
31 (2/3) vote of the membership of the House committee.

32 (3)(A) If the Senate members meet as a separate committee under  
33 subsection (b), the Senate committee may, upon approval of a majority of the  
34 Senate membership of the committee, subpoena persons, documents, and records.

35 (B) However, no action of the Senate committee regarding  
36 the exercise of the subpoena power shall be taken except upon notice of at

least one (1) week to all members of the Senate committee or upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership of the Senate committee.

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