

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

HOUSE BILL 1796

5 By: Representative Wills
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 *AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE OPEN COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN*
10 *THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, THE DEPARTMENT OF*
11 *COMMUNITY CORRECTION AND COUNTY OFFICIALS WITH*
12 *REGARD TO COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT AND RELATED*
13 *MATTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

14 **Subtitle**

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17 *THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION*
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20 *MATTERS.*

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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 § 12-27-114(b), pertaining to reimbursement
26 of counties for housing of state inmates, is amended to read as follows:

27 (b)(1)(A) In the first week of each month, the Department of
28 Correction and the Department of Community Correction shall prepare an
29 invoice for each inmate received from a county during the previous month.

30 (B) The invoice shall reflect the number of days an inmate
31 was in the county jail in an awaiting-bed-space status.

32 (2)(A) The Department of Correction and the Department of
33 Community Correction shall verify and forward the invoices to the applicable
34 sheriff to certify the actual number of days the state inmates were
35 physically housed in the county jail.

36 (B) The Department of Correction and the Department of



1 Community Corrections shall, upon written request of a county judge, county
2 treasurer, or county sheriff, provide to the county official making the
3 request a written report summarizing the year-to-date county jail
4 reimbursement invoices prepared and forwarded for verification by the
5 department and payment from the County Jail Reimbursement Fund. In addition,
6 the report shall include a summary of invoices returned by each county for
7 payment for previous months within the fiscal year, the amounts paid, and any
8 balances owed.

9 (3) The certified invoices shall then be returned to the
10 Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction for
11 payment from the fund.

12 (4) The sheriff shall maintain documentation for three (3)
13 calendar years to confirm the number of days each inmate was housed in the
14 county jail.

15 (5) The documentation maintained by the sheriff is subject to
16 review by the division.

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18 /s/ Wills
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