1   State of Arkansas

2   85th General Assembly

<p style="text-align:center">A Bill</p>

3   Regular Session, 2005   HOUSE BILL   2818

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5   By: Representative Lamoureux

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8   **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9   AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE

10   JUDGES AND HEARING OFFICERS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF

11   FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO PROVIDE JUDGES AND

12   HEARING OFFICERS FOR STATE AGENCY HEARINGS AND

13   PROCEEDINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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15   **Subtitle**

16   AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF

17   ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGES AND HEARING

18   OFFICERS.

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

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23   SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 25, Chapter 8, Subchapter 1 is amended

24   to add an additional section to read as follows:

25   25-8-110. Office of Administrative Judges and Hearing Officers.

26   (a) The Office of Administrative Judges and Hearing Officers is

27   created within the Department of Finance and Administration.

28   (b) The Director of the Office of Administrative Judges and Hearing

29   Officers shall be appointed by the Director of the Department of Finance and

30   Administration.

31   (c) The Office of Administrative Judges and Hearing Officers shall

32   provide the administrative judges and hearing officers for all state agency

33   hearings or other matters over which an administrative judge or hearing

34   officer presides.

35   (d) The department shall provide staff and facilities for the office.

36   (e)(1) As used in this section, "state agency" means any board,

1 commission, department, officer, or other authority of the government of the

2 State of Arkansas.

3   (2) "State agency" does not include the Workers' Compensation

4 Commission.

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