

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

SENATE BILL 989

5 By: Senator Broadway  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR MORE COURTROOM SECURITY;  
9 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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### Subtitle

11 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR MORE COURTROOM  
12 SECURITY.  
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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19 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 16, Chapter 10 is amended to add an*  
20 *additional subchapter to read as follows:*

21 *16-10-1001. Findings and determination.*

22 *The General Assembly finds that:*

23 *(1) While the construction, maintenance, and operation of county*  
24 *courthouses, county courtrooms, and other county court facilities are county*  
25 *government responsibilities, the state recognizes the importance of the need*  
26 *to provide adequate security for judges, court employees, jurors, and members*  
27 *of the public who utilize the facilities; and*

28 *(2) The purpose of this subchapter is to create a partnership*  
29 *between the state and local governments to ensure that all reasonable steps*  
30 *are taken to provide safe and secure court facilities.*  
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32 *16-10-1002. Guidelines and standards for courtroom security.*

33 *(a) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall establish guidelines*  
34 *and standards for courtroom security for the courts of the State of Arkansas.*

35 *(b) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall establish a Task*  
36 *Force on Courtroom Security.*



1       (c) The Chief Justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court shall appoint the  
2 members of the Task Force on Courtroom Security and a chairperson.

3       (d) The Task Force on Courtroom Security shall include a  
4 representative from:

5             (1) The Arkansas Judicial Council;

6             (2) The Arkansas Sheriffs' Association;

7             (3) The Arkansas County Judges' Association;

8             (4) The Arkansas Prosecuting Attorneys' Association;

9             (5) The Arkansas Circuit and County Clerks Association; and

10            (6) The Arkansas Bar Association.

11       (e) The members of the Task Force on Courtroom Security shall serve  
12 without compensation.

13       (f) The Task Force on Courtroom Security shall assist the  
14 Administrative Office of the Courts in the development of state guidelines,  
15 standards, and procedures for courthouse and courtroom security, including,  
16 but not limited to, the following:

17            (1) Standard operating procedures to be used by court security  
18 personnel;

19            (2) Facility security planning;

20            (3) Emergency preparedness and continuity of operations;

21            (4) Disaster recovery;

22            (5) Threat assessment;

23            (6) Central incident reporting and evaluations;

24            (7) Security equipment and technology;

25            (8) Local planning and cooperation; and

26            (9) New courthouse design.

27       (g) The Chief Justice shall request the administrative circuit judge  
28 in each judicial district to create a local court security task force to  
29 evaluate the current state of courtroom security within the district and to  
30 create a local court security plan.

31       (h) The Administrative Office of the Courts may solicit funds from  
32 federal and private agencies to assist and support county governments with  
33 the study, installation, and operation of courthouse security measures on  
34 behalf of the state and county governments.

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36       SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 21-6-306 is amended to read as follows:

1           21-6-306. *Recorders.*

2           (a) *The uniform fees to be charged by the recorders in the various*  
3 *counties in this state shall be as follows:*

4                   (1) *For recording deeds, deeds of trust, mortgages, release*  
5 *deeds, powers of attorney, and other recordable instruments, except as*  
6 *otherwise prescribed in this section, ~~eight dollars (\$8.00)~~ ten dollars*  
7 *(\$10.00) for one (1) page, one (1) side only, and ~~three dollars (\$3.00)~~ four*  
8 *dollars (\$4.00) for each additional page; and*

9                   (2) *For filing or recording all instruments other than those*  
10 *prescribed in subdivision (1) of this section that are normally placed on*  
11 *record in the recorder's office:*

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17                           (A) *Plats: when measurements exceed 8 1/2" x 14"*

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22                           (B) *Survey plats: 8 1/2" x 14" or smaller*

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27                           (C) *Materialman's lien and certificate of assessment*

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32                           (D) *Notary bond*

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