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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO CONFORM THE LIST OF INTERIM COMMITTEES
10 TO THE LISTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE
11 OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES.
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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 § 10-3-203(3), concerning interim committees
24 of the General Assembly, is amended to read as follows:

25 ~~(3)(A) The following ten (10) subject matter interim committees~~
26 ~~of each house of the General Assembly, with the House of Representatives~~
27 ~~committees to each consist of the twenty (20) members of the House of~~
28 ~~Representatives and the Senate committees to each consist of the seven (7)~~
29 ~~members of the Senate, who compose the respective standing committees of the~~
30 ~~House and Senate having comparable subject matter jurisdiction, plus such~~
31 ~~other nonvoting members as may be selected pursuant to the Rules of the House~~
32 ~~of Representatives and the Senate, who shall be entitled to per diem and~~
33 ~~mileage for attending meetings of the committees.~~

34 ~~(i) Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor.~~
35 ~~This committee shall have jurisdiction of matters pertaining to public~~
36 ~~health, mental health, mental retardation, public welfare, human relations~~



1 ~~and resources, environmental affairs, water and air pollution, labor and~~
 2 ~~labor relations, and similar legislation;~~

3 ~~(ii) Committee on Public Transportation. This~~
 4 ~~committee shall have jurisdiction of matters pertaining to roads and~~
 5 ~~highways, city streets, county roads, highway safety, airports and air~~
 6 ~~transportation, common and contract carriers, mass transit, and similar~~
 7 ~~legislation;~~

8 ~~(iii) Committee on Revenue and Taxation. This~~
 9 ~~committee shall have jurisdiction of matters pertaining to the levy,~~
 10 ~~increase, reduction, collection, enforcement, and administration of taxes and~~
 11 ~~other revenue producing measures;~~

12 ~~(iv) Committee on Education. This committee shall~~
 13 ~~have jurisdiction of matters pertaining to public kindergarten, elementary~~
 14 ~~and secondary education, adult education, vocational education, vocational-~~
 15 ~~technical schools, vocational rehabilitation, higher education, private~~
 16 ~~educational institutions, and similar legislation;~~

17 ~~(v) Committee on Judiciary. This committee shall~~
 18 ~~have jurisdiction of matters pertaining to state and local courts, court~~
 19 ~~clerks and stenographers and other employees of the courts, civil and~~
 20 ~~criminal procedures, probate matters, civil and criminal laws, and similar~~
 21 ~~matters;~~

22 ~~(vi) Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and~~
 23 ~~Economic Development. This committee shall have jurisdiction of matters~~
 24 ~~pertaining to agriculture, livestock, forestry, industrial development,~~
 25 ~~natural resources, oil and gas, publicity and parks, levees and drainage,~~
 26 ~~rivers and harbors, and similar legislation;~~

27 ~~(vii) Committee on Insurance and Commerce. This~~
 28 ~~committee shall have jurisdiction of matters pertaining to banks and banking,~~
 29 ~~savings and loan associations, stocks, bonds, and other securities,~~
 30 ~~securities dealers, insurance, public utilities, partnerships and~~
 31 ~~corporations, home mortgage financing and housing, and similar legislation;~~

32 ~~(viii) Committee on State Agencies and Governmental~~
 33 ~~Affairs. This committee shall have jurisdiction of matters pertaining to~~
 34 ~~state government and state agencies except where the subject matter relates~~
 35 ~~more appropriately to another committee, proposed amendments to the~~
 36 ~~Constitution of Arkansas or the United States Constitution, election laws and~~

1 ~~procedures, federal and interstate relations, and similar legislation;~~

2 ~~(ix) Committee on City, County, and Local Affairs.~~

3 ~~This committee shall have jurisdiction of matters pertaining to city and~~
 4 ~~municipal affairs, county affairs, local improvement districts, interlocal~~
 5 ~~governmental cooperation, and similar legislation; and~~

6 ~~(x) Committee on Aging and Legislative Affairs. This~~

7 ~~committee shall have jurisdiction of bills and resolutions affecting the aged~~
 8 ~~and problems of the aged, bills and resolutions affecting the legislative~~
 9 ~~department of government, bills and resolutions affecting the joint rules of~~
 10 ~~the House and Senate, memorials and resolutions, and other matters whenever~~
 11 ~~the subject matter is not germane to the subject matter of any other standing~~
 12 ~~committee. The committee shall serve as the supervisory committee over the~~
 13 ~~preparation of the journal and the engrossing and enrolling of bills. The~~
 14 ~~committee shall also have the responsibility of monitoring and making~~
 15 ~~recommendations for periodic updating, modernizing, and revising of the Code~~
 16 ~~of Ethics for public officers and employees. This committee shall have no~~
 17 ~~jurisdiction of matters affecting the interpretation of the Rules of the~~
 18 ~~House of Representatives and the Senate, but that jurisdiction shall be~~
 19 ~~exercised by the Rules Committees of the respective bodies.~~

20 (3)(A) The following ten (10) subject matter interim committees
 21 of the House of Representatives committees to each consist of the members who
 22 compose the respective standing committees of the House having comparable
 23 subject matter jurisdiction, plus such other nonvoting members as may be
 24 selected pursuant to the Rules of the House of Representatives, who shall be
 25 entitled to per diem and mileage for attending meetings of the committees:

26 (i) House Committee on Education – matters
 27 pertaining to public kindergarten, elementary, secondary, and adult
 28 education, vocational education, vocational-technical schools, vocational
 29 rehabilitation, higher education, private educational institutions, similar
 30 legislation, and resolutions germane to the subject matter of the committee;

31 (ii) House Committee on Judiciary – matters
 32 pertaining to state and local courts, court clerks and stenographers and
 33 other employees of the courts, civil and criminal procedures, probate
 34 matters, civil and criminal laws, similar matters, and resolutions germane to
 35 the subject matter of the committee;

36 (iii) House Committee on Public Health, Welfare and

1 Labor – matters pertaining to public health, mental health, mental
2 retardation, public welfare, human relations and resources, environmental
3 affairs, water and air pollution, labor and labor relations, similar
4 legislation, and resolutions germane to the subject matter of the committee;

5 (iv) House Committee on Public Transportation –
6 matters pertaining to roads and highways, city streets, county roads, highway
7 safety, airports and air transportation, common and contract carriers, mass
8 transit, similar legislation, and resolutions germane to the subject matter
9 of the committee;

10 (v) House Committee on Revenue and Taxation –
11 matters pertaining to the levy, increase, reduction, collection, enforcement
12 and administration of taxes and other revenue-producing measures, and
13 resolutions germane to the subject matter of the committee;

14 (vi) House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth,
15 Legislative and Military Affairs – matters pertaining to the aged and
16 problems of aging; children and youth, military, veterans, legislative
17 affairs, memorials, other matters whenever the subject matter is not germane
18 to the subject matter of any other standing committee and resolutions germane
19 to the subject matter of the committee;

20 (vii) House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry and
21 Economic Development – matters pertaining to agriculture, livestock,
22 forestry, industrial development, natural resources, oil and gas, publicity
23 and parks, levee and drainage, rivers and harbors, similar legislation and
24 resolutions germane to the subject matter of the committee;

25 (viii) House Committee on City, County and Local
26 Affairs – matters pertaining to city and municipal affairs, county affairs,
27 local improvement districts, interlocal government cooperation, similar
28 legislation and resolutions germane to the subject matter of the committee;

29 (ix) House Committee on Insurance and Commerce –
30 matters pertaining to banks and banking, savings and loan associations,
31 stock, bonds, and other securities, securities dealers, insurance, public
32 utilities, partnerships and corporations, home mortgage financing and
33 housing, similar legislation and resolutions germane to the subject matter of
34 the committee; and

35 (x) House Committee on State Agencies and
36 Governmental Affairs – matters pertaining to state government and state

1 agencies, except where the subject matter relates more appropriately to
2 another committee, proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State of
3 Arkansas or the Federal government, election laws and procedures, Federal and
4 interstate relations, similar legislation, and resolutions germane to the
5 subject matter of the committee.

6 (B) The following nine (9) subject matter interim
7 committees of the Senate to each consist of the members who compose the
8 respective standing committees of the Senate having comparable subject matter
9 jurisdiction, plus such other nonvoting members as may be selected pursuant
10 to the Rules of the Senate, who shall be entitled to per diem and mileage for
11 attending meetings of the committees:

12 (i) Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare and
13 Labor - matters pertaining to public health, mental health, mental
14 retardation, public welfare, human relations and resources; the aged and
15 problems of the aging; environmental affairs, water and air pollution, labor
16 and labor relations and similar legislation;

17 (ii) Senate Committee on Revenue And Taxation -
18 matters pertaining to the levy, increase, reduction, collection, enforcement
19 and administration of taxes and other revenue-producing measures;

20 (iii) Senate Committee on Education - matters
21 pertaining to public kindergarten, elementary, secondary, and adult
22 education, vocational education, vocational-technical schools, vocational
23 rehabilitation, higher education, private educational institutions, and
24 similar legislation;

25 (iv) Senate Committee on Judiciary - matters
26 pertaining to State and local courts, court clerks and stenographers and
27 other employees of the courts, civil and criminal procedures, probate
28 matters, civil and criminal laws, and similar matters;

29 (v) Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry &
30 Economic Development - matters pertaining to agriculture, livestock,
31 forestry, industrial development, natural resources, oil and gas, publicity
32 and parks, levees and drainage, rivers and harbors, and similar legislation;

33 (vi) Senate Committee on Insurance And Commerce -
34 matters pertaining to banks and banking, savings and loan associations,
35 stocks, bonds, and other securities, securities dealers, insurance, public
36 utilities, partnerships and corporations, home mortgage financing and

1 housing, and similar legislation;

2 (vii) Senate Committee on State Agencies And
 3 Governmental Affairs - matters pertaining to State government and State
 4 Agencies, except where the subject matter relates more appropriately to
 5 another committee, proposed amendments to the Constitution of the State of
 6 Arkansas or the Federal government, election laws and procedures, Federal and
 7 Interstate relations, and similar legislation. The committee shall also have
 8 the responsibility of monitoring and making recommendations for periodic
 9 updating, modernizing, and revising the Code of Ethics for public officials;

10 (viii) Senate Committee on City, County, And Local
 11 Affairs - matters pertaining to city and municipal affairs, county affairs,
 12 local improvement districts, interlocal governmental cooperation, and similar
 13 legislation; and

14 (ix) Senate Committee on Public Transportation,
 15 Technology And Legislative Affairs – matters pertaining to roads, highway
 16 safety, airports and air transportation, common carriers, mass transits and
 17 similar legislation; matters pertaining to science, technology, bio-
 18 technology and similar legislation and other matters whenever the subject
 19 matter is not germane to the subject matter of any other Class “A” or Class
 20 “B” Committee. The committee shall serve as the supervisory committee over
 21 the preparation of the Journal and the engrossing and enrolling of bills.
 22 The committee shall have no jurisdiction of matters affecting the
 23 interpretation of the rules of the Senate, but such jurisdiction shall be
 24 exercised by the Senate Rules Committee.

25 ~~(B)~~(C) Members of the ten (10) interim House committees
 26 and the ~~ten (10)~~ nine (9) interim Senate committees established in this
 27 subsection may also serve as members of the Legislative Council or of the
 28 Legislative Joint Auditing Committee.

29 ~~(C)~~(D) Any member of the House of Representatives who
 30 sponsors a proposal or resolution providing for a study which is referred to
 31 one (1) of the ten (10) House interim committees and any member of the Senate
 32 who sponsors a proposal or resolution providing for a study which is referred
 33 to one of the ~~ten (10)~~ nine (9) Senate interim committees may serve as an ex
 34 officio member of that committee during the conduct of the study resulting
 35 from his proposal or resolution.

36 ~~(D)~~(E) The respective House and Senate committees may meet

1 separately or the House and Senate committees of comparable subject matter
2 jurisdiction may meet jointly.

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