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	As Engrossed: S3/12/07			
2	86th General Assembly	A Bill			
3	Regular Session, 2007	SENATE BILL	973		
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5	By: Senator Wilkins				
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8		For An Act To Be Entitled			
9	AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 25 TO ADD AN				
10	ADDITION	NAL CHAPTER TO ESTABLISH THE DAISY GATSON			
11	BATES HOLIDAY COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP AND COORDINATE				
12	APPROPRIATE CEREMONIES AND ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT				
13	THE STA	TE RELATING TO THE OBSERVANCE OF DAISY			
14	GATSON 1	BATES HOLIDAY; TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE §			
15	25-16-90	03 TO SET A STIPEND FOR THE COMMITTEE; AND			
16	FOR OTH	ER PURPOSES.			
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18		Subtitle			
19	TO ES	STABLISH THE DAISY GATSON BATES			
20	HOLII	DAY COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP AND			
21	COORDINATE APPROPRIATE CEREMONIES AND				
22	ACTI	VITIES THROUGHOUT THE STATE.			
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25	BE IT ENACTED BY THE G	GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:			
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27	SECTION 1. Arka	ansas Code Title 25, Chapter 41, is amended to add an	1		
28	additional subchapter to read as follows:				
29	CHAPTER 41 DAIS	SY GATSON BATES HOLIDAY COMMITTEE			
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31	25-41-101. Comm	nittee created - Members.			
32	(a) There is created a committee to be known as the "Daisy Gatson				
33	Bates Holiday Committee".				
34	(b) The commiss	sion shall consist of nine (9) members:			
35		e (3) members of the general public who are residents	of		
36		present the state at large, to be appointed by the	_		

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1	Governor;	
2	(2) Three (3) members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the	
3	House of Representatives, two (2) of whom shall represent and be residents of	
4	the First and Second Congressional Districts of Arkansas, respectively, and a	
5	third who shall represent the state at large; and	
6	(3) Three (3) members shall be appointed by the President Pro	
7	Tempore of the Senate, two (2) of whom shall represent and be residents of	
8	the Third and Fourth Congressional Districts of Arkansas, respectively, and a	
9	third who shall represent the state at-large.	
10	(c)(1) Members shall serve for a term of three (3) years.	
11	(2) No member of the committee shall serve more than two (2)	
12	consecutive terms.	
13	(3) A vacancy in the membership shall be filled for the balance	
14	of the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment was	
15	made.	
16	(d) The Governor shall designate one (1) member appointed from the	
17	state at large as the chairperson of the committee.	
18	(e) A majority of the committee shall constitute a quorum for the	
19	transaction of business.	
20	(f)(1) Members of the committee shall serve without compensation but,	
21	to the extent moneys are appropriated by the General Assembly, may receive	
22	expense reimbursement in accordance with § 25-16-902 and may receive stipends	
23	in accordance with § 25-16-903.	
24	(2) However, members of the committee shall not receive stipend	
25	payments under § 25-16-903 for more than four (4) meetings in a twelve-month	
26	period.	
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28	25-41-102. Duties.	
29	(a) The Daisy Gatson Bates Holiday Committee shall have the following	
30	duties:	
31	(1) To promote among the people of Arkansas, by appropriate	
32	activities, both awareness and appreciation of the civil rights movement and	
33	advocacy of the principles and legacy of Ms. Daisy Gatson Bates;	
34	(2) To promote principles of mentoring and leadership;	
35	(3) To promote racial harmony, understanding, respect, and	
36	goodwill among all citizens of Arkansas; and	

Ţ	(4) To develop, coordinate, and advise the Governor and the
2	General Assembly of appropriate ceremonies and activities throughout the
3	state relating to the observance of the Daisy Gatson Bates Holiday.
4	(b) The committee may receive donations and contributions from
5	individuals and public and private organizations in order to carry out its
6	responsibilities.
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8	<u>25-41-103. Powers.</u>
9	The Daisy Gatson Bates Holiday Committee may employ any staff and
10	consultants if an appropriation is made for that purpose by the General
11	Assembly, and may fix the compensation, duties, authority, and
12	responsibilities of the committee's employees.
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14	SECTION 2. At the first meeting of the committee, the members shall
15	draw lots for terms so that three (3) members will serve for a term of one
16	(1) year; three (3) members will serve for a term of two (2) years; and three
17	(3) members will serve for a term of three (3) years.
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19	SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 25-16-903, regarding state boards being
20	authorized to pay to members a stipend not to exceed sixty dollars (\$60.00),
21	is amended to add a new subdivision to read as follows:
22	(70) Daisy Gatson Bates Holiday Committee.
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24	/s/ Wilkins
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