1 State of Arkansas

2 87th General Assembly

A Bill

3 Regular Session, 2009   HOUSE BILL   1050

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5 By: Representative Greenberg

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8   **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9   AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN EXPRESS STATUTORY CROSS-

10   REFERENCE FOR ALL NEW EXEMPTIONS TO THE ARKANSAS

11   FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; AND FOR OTHER

12   PURPOSES.

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14   **Subtitle**

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16   CROSS-REFERENCE FOR ALL NEW EXEMPTIONS

17   TO THE ARKANSAS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

18   ACT OF 1967.

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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 19 is amended to add a new

24 section to read as follows:

25   25-19-110. Exemptions.

26   (a) Beginning July 1, 2009, in order to be effective a law that enacts

27 a new exemption to the requirements of this chapter or that substantially

28 amends an existing exemption to the requirements of this chapter shall state

29 that the record or meeting is exempt from the Freedom of Information Act of

30 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq.

31   (b) For purposes of this section:

32   (1) An exemption from the requirements of this chapter is

33 substantially amended if the amendment expands the scope of the exemption to

34 include more records or information or to include meetings as well as

35 records; and

36   (2) An exemption from the requirements of this chapter is not

 1   substantially amended if the amendment narrows the scope of the exemption.

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