

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

HOUSE BILL 1329

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5 By: Representative J. Edwards
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO MODIFY COUNTY REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING
10 CHECKS AND ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS; AND FOR
11 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 TO MODIFY COUNTY REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING
15 CHECKS AND ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-24-204 is amended to read as follows:
21 14-24-204. Payment generally.

22 (a)(1) It is the intent of this subchapter that, after a claim has
23 been properly presented to a county court with a proper certification and
24 itemization thereof, as provided by law, the county clerk may cause a check
25 to be prepared in payment of the claim. This check must be accompanied by an
26 attached certification from the clerk stating that the check is for payment
27 of a valid claim against the county, properly presented and allowed, as
28 provided by law, the check being presented to the county treasurer for his or
29 her signature, such check being in duplicate form, allowing for the following
30 information and distribution:

31 (A) An original check, after being transmitted to the
32 treasurer for his or her signature, will be delivered to the party presenting
33 the claim to the treasurer; and

34 (B) A duplicate copy of the check, which will provide the
35 printed certification thereon by the clerk to the treasurer and provide for
36 the original signature of the clerk on the certification, will be maintained



1 by the treasurer.

2 (2) The checks shall be prenumbered and designed in such form
3 that the ~~specific appropriation applicable and~~ particular fund affected out
4 of which the check is to be paid is noted thereon.

5 (b) In lieu of the provisions of this section pertaining to the
6 issuance of a check in duplicate form, if a county so chooses, the following
7 provisions may apply:

8 (1) Once the aforementioned claim procedures have been
9 completed, the treasurer may cause a check to be prepared in payment of
10 claims filed with the county court;

11 (2) Each claim properly docketed and approved for payment by the
12 county court shall be proper certification from the clerk to the treasurer
13 that a valid claim exists; ~~and~~

14 (3) The checks shall be prenumbered and so designed that the
15 ~~specific appropriation applicable, particular fund affected, and claim number~~
16 shall be noted thereon; and

17 (4) Copies of the check may be retained in electronic form
18 rather than paper.

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20 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 14, Chapter 24, Subchapter 1 is amended
21 to add an additional section to read as follows:

22 14-24-122. Electronic funds transfer.

23 (a) A county treasurer may make payments of county accounts payable by
24 electronic funds transfer.

25 (b) As authorized under subsection (a) of this section, a county
26 treasurer may enter into a contract with a bank or a company that offers
27 electronic funds transfer services and may pay the fees normally charged by
28 those banks or companies for electronic funds transfers.

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