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10	For An Act To Be Entitled
11	AN ACT TO AMEND THE METHOD FOR CALCULATING TRAVEL
12	REIMBURSEMENT FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
13	FOR ATTENDANCE AT NATIONAL OR REGIONAL
14	CONFERENCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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16	Subtitle
17	TO AMEND THE METHOD FOR CALCULATING
18	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT FOR MEMBERS OF THE
19	GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR ATTENDANCE AT
20	NATIONAL OR REGIONAL CONFERENCES.
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23	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 10-2-224(2), concerning travel to national
26	and regional conferences for members of the General Assembly, is amended to
27	read as follows:
28	(2) Entitled to receive reimbursement from the same sources and
29	under the same conditions for conferences occurring after sine die
30	adjournment for:
31	(A) Reasonable and necessary expenses for:
32	(i) Travel;
33	(ii) Meals; <u>and</u>
34	(iii)(ii) Lodging; and
35	(B) Other authorized expenses; and
36	(3)(A) For travel to national or regional conferences within

1	<u>five hundred (500) miles of Little Rock, Arkansas, reimbursed based on the</u>
2	actual expense for travel; and
3	(B)(i) For travel to national or regional conferences five
4	hundred (500) or more miles from Little Rock, Arkansas, reimbursed based on
5	the lesser of mileage to and from to the conference or the actual cost of
6	airfare.
7	(ii) The actual cost of airfare shall be determined
8	by the Speaker of the House of Representatives , the President Pro Tempore of
9	the Senate, or the chair of the committee authorizing travel, or their
10	respective designees, and shall include the cost of baggage fees, ground
11	transportation costs to and from the airport, and other incidental costs
12	associated with flying.
13	(iii) Upon written request by a member to travel by
14	vehicle to a national or regional conference that is five hundred miles or
15	more from Little Rock, Arkansas, The Speaker of the House of Representatives,
16	the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or the chair of the committee
17	authorizing the travel may grant an exception to subdivision (3)(B)(i) of
18	this section and permit mileage reimbursement for travel to a national or
19	regional conference.
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