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A Bill

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ALLOW ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS BY
CERTAIN WATER SYSTEMS FOR PAYMENT OF DEBTS; AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO ALLOW ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS BY
CERTAIN WATER SYSTEMS FOR PAYMENT OF
DEBTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-59-105, concerning municipal electronic funds transfers, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(e) Disbursements of municipal funds by municipal, regional, and rural water systems used for payment of debts may be made by electronic funds transfer provided that:

(1) The person responsible for the disbursement shall maintain a ledger including without limitation the following information:

(A) The name and address of the entity receiving payment;

(B) The routing number of the bank in which the funds are held;

(C) The account number and the accounts clearinghouse trace number pertaining to the transfer; and

(D) The date and amount transferred; and

(2) Written consent for payment by electronic funds transfer is given by the entity to whom the transfer is made.



SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-237-106(a), concerning disbursement of water and sewer department funds, is amended to read as follows:

(a) All disbursements of water and sewer department funds, ~~except as noted in § 14-237-107,~~ are to be made by prenumbered checks drawn upon the bank account of that department except:

(1) Petty cash under § 14-237-107; or

(2) Electronic funds transfer under § 14-59-105(e).