

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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As Engrossed: S3/25/09

A Bill

SENATE BILL 871

By: Senator Teague

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS ELECTRONIC RECORDS
STUDY COMMISSION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON AMENDING THE FREEDOM OF
INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO SPECIFICALLY ADDRESS
THE ISSUE OF BULK COMMERCIAL ACCESS TO ELECTRONIC
OR COMPUTERIZED RECORDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS ELECTRONIC
RECORDS STUDY COMMISSION AND TO ADDRESS
THE ISSUE OF BULK COMMERCIAL ACCESS
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF
1967.

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

*SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. (a) There is hereby created the Arkansas
Electronic Records Study Commission to be composed of the following:*

- (1) One (1) member appointed by the Governor;*
- (2) One (1) member appointed by the Attorney General, who may or
may not be a staff member of the Attorney General;*
- (3) One (1) legislative member appointed by the chair of the
House Revenue and Tax Committee;*
- (4) One (1) legislative member appointed by the chair of the
Senate Revenue and Tax Committee;*
- (5) One (1) member from the staff of the Office of Information
Services, as designated by the Director of the Office of Information*



1 Services;

2 (6) Two (2) members designated by the Arkansas Press

3 Association;

4 (7) Two (2) members designated by the Arkansas Municipal League;

5 (8) Two (2) members designated by the Arkansas Association of

6 Counties;

7 (9) One (1) member designated by the Arkansas Broadcasters

8 Association;

9 (10) One (1) member designated by the Administrative Office of

10 the Courts;

11 (11) One (1) member of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock

12 William H. Bowen School of Law; and

13 (12) One (1) member of the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce.

14 (b) The two (2) legislative members appointed by the chairs of the
15 Revenue and Tax committees shall serve as co-chairs of the commission.

16 (c)(1) The commission shall serve in an advisory capacity and shall be
17 responsible for studying bulk commercial requests of electronic or
18 computerized records under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-
19 101 et seq.

20 (2) The commission shall develop recommendations for amendments
21 to the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq. for
22 consideration by the Eighty-Eighth General Assembly.

23 (d) The commission shall be provided with support staff as necessary
24 by the Bureau of Legislative Research.

25 (e) The commission shall submit a final report of its findings and
26 recommendations to the Eighty-Eighth General Assembly on or before July 1,
27 2011.

28 (f) The commission shall be in existence from the effective date of
29 this act until July 1, 2011.

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31 /s/ Teague
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