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As Engrossed: S3/10/11
A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1419

5 By: Representative Patterson
6 By: Senator B. Pritchard
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A WAITING PERIOD OF TEN (10)
10 YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF DENIAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR
11 EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY FOR PERSONS SENTENCED TO LIFE
12 IMPRISONMENT WITHOUT PAROLE TO FILE A NEW APPLICATION
13 FOR EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

16 REGARDING THE TIME PERIOD AFTER WHICH A
17 PERSON MAY FILE FOR EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY.
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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 16-93-207(d)(1), regarding the amount of time
24 that must elapse before a person can file application for pardon, commutation
25 of sentence, or remission of fine or forfeiture, is amended to read as
26 follows:

27 (d)(1) Except as provided in subdivision (d)(3) of this section, if an
28 application for pardon, commutation of sentence, or remission of fine or
29 forfeiture of a person sentenced to life imprisonment without parole is
30 denied in writing by the Governor, the person filing the application shall
31 not be eligible to file a new application for pardon, commutation of
32 sentence, or remission of fine or forfeiture related to the same offense for
33 *a period of:*

34 (A) ~~six~~ Six (6) years from the date of the denial; or

35 (B) Ten (10) years from the date of the denial if the applicant
36 is serving a sentence of life without parole for:



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(i) Capital murder, § 5-10-101; or
(ii) Murder in the first degree, § 5-10-102.

/s/Patterson