1   State of Arkansas   *As Engrossed: H3/9/11*
2   88th General Assembly   A Bill
3   Regular Session, 2011   HOUSE BILL 1790
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5   By: Representative J. Edwards
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7   **For An Act To Be Entitled**
8   AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PREFERENCE FOR SERVICE-DISABLED
9   VETERANS IN THE AWARDING OF STATE *CONTRACTS;* AND FOR
10   OTHER PURPOSES.
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13   **Subtitle**
14   *TO AUTHORIZE A PREFERENCE FOR SERVICE-*
15   *DISABLED VETERANS IN THE AWARDING OF*
16   *STATE CONTRACTS.*
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19   BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21   SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 19, Chapter 11, Subchapter 1 is amended
22   to add an additional section to read as follows:
23   19-11-106. Preference for service-disabled veterans.
24   (a) As used in this section:
25   (1) "Service-disabled veteran" means any individual who:
26   (A) Is disabled as designated by the United States
27   Department of Veterans Affairs; and
28   (B) Has been a resident of the State of Arkansas for at
29   least two (2) years; and
30   (2) "Business of a service-disabled veteran" means a business
31   that:
32   *(A) Not less than fifty-one percent (51%) of which is*
33   *owned by one (1) or more service-disabled veterans; and*
34   (B) The management and daily business operations of which
35   are controlled by one (1) or more service-disabled veterans.
36   (b) Except as provided under *subsection (c)* of this section, in

1   letting contracts for the performance of any product or service, all

2   agencies, departments, institutions, and other entities of this *state shall*

3   *give preference to a business of a service-disabled veteran.*

4   *(c)* If no businesses of service-disabled veterans in this state meet

5   the quality of performance and price standards required in this section, the

6   preference under this section is not required.

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8   */s/J. Edwards*

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