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5	By: Representative Garner
6	By: Senator B. Sample
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled
9	AN ACT CONCERNING THE AFFAIRS OF CERTAIN IMPROVEMENT
10	DISTRICTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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13	Subtitle
14	CONCERNING THE AFFAIRS OF CERTAIN
15	IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS
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18	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-89-1402 is amended to read as follows:
21	14-89-1402. Filing required.
22	(a)(1) $\underline{(A)}$ All improvement districts in any city or incorporated town
23	in this state established for the purpose of making improvements for
24	municipal purposes shall file an annual financial report with the city clerk
25	or recorder of the city or town on or before March 1 of each year, covering
26	the financial affairs of the districts for the preceding year.
27	$\frac{(2)}{(B)}$ The annual financial report may be included with the
28	report required by § 14-86-2102.
29	(2) All improvement districts in any city or incorporated town in
30	this state established for the purpose of providing electric utility services
31	for municipal purposes shall file an annual financial report with the city
32	clerk or recorder of the city or town on or before June 1 of each year,
33	covering the financial affairs of the districts for the preceding year.
34	(b) The annual financial report shall be certified and filed as
35	provided in this section by the commissioners of each district.
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- 1 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-92-202 is amended to read as follows: 2 14-92-202. Applicability of 1981 amendments.
  - (a) The provisions of Acts 1981, No. 510, shall not apply to districts in existence on March 16, 1981, and these districts shall continue to be governed by the law in effect immediately prior to that date.
    - (b)(1) Upon the petition of thirty-five percent (35%) of the realty property owners of a district in existence on March 16, 1981, the district shall be subject to the provisions of § 14-92-209 concerning the election of commissioners to fill vacancies on the commission and concerning the recall of commissioners.
- 11 (2) The petition may also provide for the board of commissioners 12 to be enlarged from three (3) members to five (5) members and may provide for 13 the imposition of a specified term of years on the board positions. If the 14 petition requests a board of commissioners composed of five (5) members, then 15 two (2) additional commissioners shall be elected in the same manner as 16 provided for filling vacancies under § 14-92-209(b).
- 17 (3) Commissioners serving at the time the petition is filed 18 shall continue to serve.
- 19 (4) The petition shall be filed with the circuit court of the 20 judicial district in which most of the district is located.
- 21 <u>(c) Subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to any improvement</u>
  22 <u>district in any city or incorporated town in this state established for the</u>
  23 purpose of providing water or sewer services for municipal purposes.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 14-92-209(c), concerning removal of commissioners and vacancies, is amended to read as follows:

- (c)(1) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall apply to a district in existence on March 16, 1981.
- 29 (2)(A) A vacancy created by the recall of a commissioner shall 30 be filled in the same manner as provided in subsection (a) of this section.
- 31 (B) Any other vacancy on the board of commissioners of a 32 district in existence on March 16, 1981, shall continue to be filled in the 33 same manner as provided by law prior to March 16, 1981.

35 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 14-92-209 is amended to add a new 36 subsection to read as follows:

1	(d)(l) The provisions of subsection (b) of this section shall apply to
2	a district in existence on March 16, 1981 and which is an improvement
3	district in any city or incorporated town in this state established for the
4	purpose of providing water or sewer services for municipal purposes.
5	(2) Any other vacancy on the board of commissioners of any other
6	district in existence on March 16, 1981, shall continue to be filled in the
7	manner as provided by law prior to March 16, 1981.
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