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As Engrossed: H3/24/11  
**A Bill**

SENATE BILL 946

5 By: Senator S. Harrelson  
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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 AN ACT TO ALLOW LOCAL COUNTY GOVERNMENTS TO NEGOTIATE  
9 WITH COMMERCIAL INTERESTS SEEKING MASS COPYING OF  
10 PUBLIC RECORDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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13 **Subtitle**

14 TO ALLOW LOCAL COUNTY GOVERNMENTS TO  
15 NEGOTIATE WITH COMMERCIAL INTERESTS  
16 SEEKING MASS COPYING OF PUBLIC RECORDS.  
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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 14, Chapter 14, Subchapter 1 is amended  
22 to add a new section to read as follows:

23 14-14-112. Bulk copying of public records.

24 (a) In the absence of an existing agreement or county ordinance, a  
25 county official may negotiate with a commercial, non-press entity regarding a  
26 reasonable fee for mass duplication, copying, or bulk electronic access of  
27 public records.

28 (b) A negotiated agreement authorized by this section is not to the  
29 exclusion of any right to a public record a person has under this subchapter  
30 or the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-109.

31 (c) As used in this section, "existing agreement" means a contract,  
32 custom, practice, or dealings that were in use as of January 1, 2011.  
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34 /s/S. Harrelson  
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