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**A Bill**

SENATE BILL 56

5 By: Senator J. Woods  
6 By: Representative Neal  
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**For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT TO REQUIRE A FEE FOR A NEW RESIDENT REQUIRED  
10 TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER; AND FOR OTHER  
11 PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

15 TO REQUIRE A FEE FOR A NEW RESIDENT  
16 REQUIRED TO REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER.  
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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 § 12-12-910 is amended to read as follows:

22 12-12-910. Fine.

23 (a) The sentencing court shall assess at the time of sentencing a  
24 mandatory fine of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) on any person who is  
25 required to register under this subchapter.

26 (b)(1) A person who relocates to this state and was convicted of an  
27 offense in another state that requires registration in this state shall pay a  
28 fee of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) within ninety (90) days from the date  
29 of registration.

30 (2)(A) A person who fails to pay the fee required under  
31 subdivision (b)(1) of this section upon conviction is guilty of a Class A  
32 misdemeanor.

33 (B) The person required to register has an affirmative  
34 defense to failure to pay a fee if he or she shows that his or her failure to  
35 pay the fee was not attributable to a:

36 (i) Purposeful refusal to obey the sentence of the



1 court; or

2 (ii) Failure on the defendant's part to make a good  
3 faith effort to obtain the funds required for payment.

4 ~~(b)(c)(1)~~ The fine provided in subsection (a) of this section and  
5 collected in circuit court, district court, or city court shall be remitted  
6 by the tenth day of each month to the Administration of Justice Fund Section  
7 of the Office of Administrative Services of the Department of Finance and  
8 Administration on a form provided by that office for deposit into the Sex and  
9 Child Offenders Registration Fund as established by § 12-12-911.

10 (2) The fee provided in subsection (b) of this section shall be  
11 collected by the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the person's  
12 sex offender verification and shall be remitted by the tenth day of each  
13 month to the Administration of Justice Fund Section of the Office of  
14 Administrative Services of the Department of Finance and Administration on a  
15 form provided by that office for deposit into the Sex and Child Offenders  
16 Registration Fund as established by § 12-12-911.

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