| 1<br>2 | State of Arkansas<br>89th General Assembly                                  | A Bill                                   |                 |
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| 3      | Regular Session, 2013   |  | SENATE BILL 857 |
| 4      |   |  |                 |
| 5      | By: Senator A. Clark  |  |                 |
| 6      |   |  |                 |
| 7      |   | For An Act To Be Entitled                |                 |
| 8      | AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE DUTY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF                             |  |                 |
| 9      | WORKFORCE SERVICES TO ENFORCE THE LAW REGARDING                             |  |                 |
| 10     | INELIGIBILITY FOR EXTENDED UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS FOR                        |  |                 |
| 11     | FAILURE TO ACCEPT OR SEEK SUITABLE WORK; TO REQUIRE                         |  |                 |
| 12     | QUARTERLY REPORTS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL                                |  |                 |
| 13     | CONCERNING ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS CONCERNING                                   |  |                 |
| 14     | INELIGIBILITY FOR EXTENDED UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS FOR                        |  |                 |
| 15     | FAILURE TO ACCEPT OR SEEK SUITABLE WORK; AND FOR                            |  |                 |
| 16     | OTHER PURPOSES.   |  |                 |
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| 19     |   | Subtitle                                 |                 |
| 20     | TO (  | CLARIFY THE DUTY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF    |                 |
| 21     | WORI  | KFORCE SERVICES REGARDING UNEMPLOYMENT   |                 |
| 22     | INE   | LIGIBILITY FOR FAILURE TO ACCEPT OR      |                 |
| 23     | SEE   | K SUITABLE WORK; AND TO REQUIRE          |                 |
| 24     | QUA   | RTERLY REPORTS TO THE LEGISLATIVE        |                 |
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| 28     | BE IT ENACTED BY THE  | GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSA | AS:             |
| 29     |   |  |                 |
| 30     | SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 11-10-543, concerning ineligibility for          |  |                 |
| 31     | extended unemployment benefits for failure to accept or seek suitable work, |  |                 |
| 32     | is amended to add additional subsections to read as follows:                |  |                 |
| 33     | (i) The Department of Workforce Services shall enforce this section.        |  |                 |
| 34     | (j) The director shall make quarterly reports to the Legislative            |  |                 |
| 35     | <u>Council on the depart</u>  | ment's efforts to enforce this section.  |                 |
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