

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 403

5 By: Senator Irvin
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS BIKEWAYS COMMISSION;
9 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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12 ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS BIKEWAYS
13 COMMISSION.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 15, Chapter 11, is amended to add an
20 additional subchapter to read as follows:
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Subchapter 10 – Arkansas Bikeways Commission

15-11-1001. Creation – Powers and duties.

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25 (a) There is created the Arkansas Bikeways Commission.

26 (b) The commission shall:

27 (1) Actively promote the state as a destination for bicycling
28 tourism;

29 (2) Actively promote the economic development benefits of
30 bicycling tourism in the state;

31 (3) Make recommendations on the implementation of the State
32 Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

33 (4) Educate the community on the important benefits and
34 interests related to bicycling, including without limitation:

35 (A) Road and trail safety;

36 (B) Strengthening rural communities;



1 (C) Stewardship of the natural environment; and

2 (D) Close-to-home recreation.

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4 15-11-1002. Arkansas Bikeways Commission – Members.

5 (a) The Arkansas Bikeways Commission shall consist of:

6 (1) The following six (6) members to be appointed by the
7 Governor and confirmed by the Senate:

8 (A) Two (2) members who are actively involved in the
9 tourism industry;

10 (B) Two (2) members who are actively involved in a local,
11 state, or regional organization focused on economic vitality; and

12 (C)(i) Two (2) members who are actively engaged in a
13 cycling organization by volunteering or otherwise serving the cycling
14 organization.

15 (ii) One (1) member who is appointed under
16 subdivision (a)(1)(C)(i) of this section shall be at least eighteen (18)
17 years of age but less than twenty-five (25) years of age at the time of his
18 or her appointment to the commission;

19 (2) One (1) member appointed by the Chair of the House Committee
20 on Public Transportation;

21 (3) One (1) member appointed by the Chair of the Senate
22 Committee on Public Transportation, Technology, and Legislative Affairs;

23 (4) One (1) member appointed by the Chair of the House Committee
24 on City, County, and Local Affairs;

25 (5) One (1) member appointed by appointed by the Chair of the
26 Senate Committee on City, County, and Local Affairs;

27 (6) The Director of the Arkansas State Highway and
28 Transportation Department or his or her designee;

29 (7) The Director of the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism
30 or his or her designee; and

31 (8) The Director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission
32 or his or her designee.

33 (b) Each member of the commission shall be a resident of this state.

34 (c) The members appointed to the commission shall be appointed for
35 terms of four (4) years.

36 (d)(1) A vacancy on the commission for any reason other than

1 expiration of the regular term of appointment shall be filled in the manner
2 of the original appointment.

3 (2)(A) The term of the member appointed under subdivision (d)(1)
4 of this section shall expire upon the regular term of the member he or she
5 replaced.

6 (B) The confirmation of a member appointed under
7 subdivision (d)(1) of this section by the Governor shall occur when the
8 Senate is next in session.

9 (e) Before performing duties on behalf of the commission, a member of
10 the commission shall take and file in the office of the Secretary of State an
11 oath to support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of
12 the State of Arkansas and to faithfully perform the duties of the office upon
13 which he or she is about to enter.

14 (f) Members of the commission shall not receive compensation for their
15 service.

16 (g) The commission may be staffed by the Department of Parks and
17 Tourism at the direction of the Governor.

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19 15-11-1003. Organization – Meetings.

20 (a) The Arkansas Bikeways Commission shall select from its membership
21 a chair and a vice chair.

22 (b) The commission shall:

23 (1) Adopt rules for the conduct of its business; and

24 (2)(A) Keep a record of its transactions, findings, and
25 determinations.

26 (B) The records of the commission shall be:

27 (i) Public; and

28 (ii) Kept at the Department of Parks and Tourism.

29 (c)(1) Meetings of the commission shall be at the call of the chair of
30 the commission.

31 (2) Meetings of the commission may also be called electronically
32 or in writing by six (6) or more members.

33 (d) A quorum of the commission shall consist of not less than six (6)
34 members present at any regular or special meeting.

35 (e) An affirmative vote of six (6) members of the commission is
36 necessary for the disposition of any business.

