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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1266

5 By: Representative Warren  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTED CITY  
9 COLLECTORS AND TO TERMINATE THE OFFICE OF CITY  
10 COLLECTOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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14 TO REPEAL THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTED CITY  
15 COLLECTORS AND TO TERMINATE THE OFFICE OF  
16 CITY COLLECTOR.  
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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 Arkansas Code § 14-44-117 is repealed.

22 ~~14-44-117. City collectors.~~

23 ~~(a) Every city of the second class within the State of Arkansas is~~  
24 ~~empowered to elect a city collector at the time of the election of other~~  
25 ~~officers of these cities.~~

26 ~~(b)(1) The collector's duties shall be to collect all fines, licenses,~~  
27 ~~taxes, and all other revenues due the municipality, except taxes now~~  
28 ~~collected by the sheriff and collector of a county as provided by law.~~

29 ~~(2) The collector shall also collect all taxes or benefits for~~  
30 ~~any and all improvement districts or other agencies of government within the~~  
31 ~~municipality.~~

32 ~~(c)(1)(A) The city council shall fix the amount and require a good and~~  
33 ~~sufficient surety bond of that collector to protect the municipality in the~~  
34 ~~safe handling and accounting to the city for all municipal funds which shall~~  
35 ~~come into his or her hands.~~  
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1                   ~~(B) The council shall require the bond to be filed with the~~  
 2 ~~city recorder and made a permanent record after the bond has been recorded in~~  
 3 ~~the office of the circuit clerk of the county in which the municipality is~~  
 4 ~~located, as may be otherwise required by law.~~

5                   ~~(2) For the safekeeping and the proper accounting of all funds~~  
 6 ~~collected by the collector for any and all improvement districts, that~~  
 7 ~~collector shall make and file a good and sufficient surety bond with each~~  
 8 ~~board of commissioners of any such district, as may be required by law.~~

9                   ~~(3)(A) For any and all of the surety bonds required in this~~  
 10 ~~subsection of the collector, they may be made by any solvent surety company~~  
 11 ~~authorized to do business in the State of Arkansas.~~

12                   ~~(B) The premiums for these bonds shall be paid by the~~  
 13 ~~municipality or the improvement district as each is affected.~~

14                   ~~(d)(1) The city council shall fix the salary to be paid to the~~  
 15 ~~collector for his or her services.~~

16                   ~~(2) If it is deemed to be in the best interests of the~~  
 17 ~~municipality or any improvement district affected, the council may provide~~  
 18 ~~that the collector may receive, in lieu of a fixed salary, fees as may be~~  
 19 ~~fixed by the council, or as otherwise provided by law.~~

20                   ~~(e)(1) The council of any city in this state electing to exercise the~~  
 21 ~~rights conferred in this section may provide, by ordinance, for the~~  
 22 ~~applicability of this section.~~

23                   ~~(2) All boards of commissioners of any and all improvement~~  
 24 ~~districts in these cities shall comply with the intent and purpose of this~~  
 25 ~~section, and any commissioner failing to so comply may be removed from office~~  
 26 ~~by the council.~~

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