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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1827

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAW REGARDING THE ARKANSAS
10 NEWSPAPER RECYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO REPEAL THE LAW REGARDING THE ARKANSAS
16 NEWSPAPER RECYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
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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 8, Chapter 9, Subchapter 5, is
22 repealed.

23 ~~8-9-501. Creation.~~

24 ~~Recognizing that the recycling of newsprint, the use of recycled~~
25 ~~content newsprint, and the use of soy-based ink is a mutual concern to the~~
26 ~~State of Arkansas and the Arkansas newspaper industry, there is hereby~~
27 ~~created the Arkansas Newspaper Recycling Advisory Committee, which shall act~~
28 ~~in an advisory capacity to the Marketing Recyclables Program of the~~
29 ~~Compliance Advisory Panel.~~
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31 ~~8-9-502. Members.~~

32 ~~The Director of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality shall~~
33 ~~appoint the Arkansas Newspaper Recycling Advisory Committee consisting of:~~

34 ~~(1) The Chief of the Marketing Division of the Arkansas~~
35 ~~Department of Environmental Quality or his or her designee;~~

36 ~~(2) The Executive Director of the Arkansas Press Association;~~



1 ~~Ine. or his or her designee; and~~

2 ~~(3)(A) At least six (6) members representing the Arkansas~~
3 ~~newspaper industry and newsprint manufacturers doing business in Arkansas.~~

4 ~~(B) Provided, however, these members shall be selected~~
5 ~~from a list of names of potential members to be provided by the President of~~
6 ~~the Board of Directors of the Arkansas Press Association, Inc.~~

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8 ~~8-9-503. Purpose.~~

9 ~~The Arkansas Newspaper Recycling Advisory Committee shall meet as~~
10 ~~necessary to monitor the use of recycled content newsprint and soy-based ink~~
11 ~~in the state in relation to the following goals:~~

12 ~~(1) To increase the use of recycled content newsprint in~~
13 ~~Arkansas;~~

14 ~~(2) To increase the use of soy-based ink in Arkansas;~~

15 ~~(3) To increase the demand for recycled newsprint in Arkansas;~~

16 ~~(4) To increase the availability of recycled content newsprint~~
17 ~~in Arkansas; and~~

18 ~~(5) To identify, develop, and advance initiatives to recycle and~~
19 ~~reuse old newspapers.~~

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21 ~~8-9-504. Schedule of compliance.~~

22 ~~The Arkansas Newspaper Recycling Advisory Committee shall develop a~~
23 ~~schedule of compliance for newspapers printed on newsprint in Arkansas to~~
24 ~~phase in increased percentages of recycled fiber in their newsprint.~~

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26 ~~8-9-505. Attainment of goals.~~

27 ~~The Arkansas Newspaper Recycling Advisory Committee shall formulate a~~
28 ~~plan for an annual reporting of the progress toward the stated goals of this~~
29 ~~subchapter. Provided, however, that attainment of the percentage goals~~
30 ~~established by the committee shall be dependent upon recycled newsprint being~~
31 ~~available to Arkansas newspapers at a reasonable price, in reasonable~~
32 ~~quality, and in reasonable quantity as determined by the committee.~~

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34 ~~8-9-506. Achievement of purpose.~~

35 ~~In cooperation with the Marketing Recyclables Program of the Compliance~~
36 ~~Advisory Panel, the Arkansas Newspaper Recycling Advisory Committee shall~~

1 ~~develop and implement a plan to achieve the purposes of this subchapter.~~

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