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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1122

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY TO
10 AWARD A MEDAL, RIBBON, OR DECORATION TO A MEMBER OF
11 THE ORGANIZED MILITIA; TO AUTHORIZE THE PRESENTATION
12 OF AN AWARD TO CERTAIN PERSONS AND GROUPS; AND FOR
13 OTHER PURPOSES.
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-61-121(a), concerning the award of
27 medals, ribbons, or decorations, is amended to read as follows:

28 (a)(1) The Governor ~~is authorized to~~ may award in the name of the
29 State of Arkansas ~~any a~~ medal, ribbon, or decoration for ~~any~~ exceptional or
30 meritorious service rendered by ~~any a~~ member of the organized militia, and
31 including without limitation the:

32 ~~(2) These include, but are not limited to,~~

33 (A) the “Arkansas Commendation Medal”;

34 (B) the “Arkansas Distinguished Service Medal”; and

35 (C) the “Arkansas Star of Honor”.

36 (2) The Governor or Adjutant General may award in the name of



1 the State of Arkansas an:

2 (A) Honorary award to a civilian employee of the Arkansas
 3 National Guard in recognition of his or her noteworthy accomplishments,
 4 including without limitation the:

- 5 (i) "Arkansas Distinguished Civilian Service Medal";
- 6 (ii) "Arkansas Meritorious Civilian Service Medal";
- 7 (iii) "Arkansas Civilian Service Commendation
 8 Medal"; and

9 (iv) "Arkansas Civilian Service Achievement Medal";
 10 and

11 (B) Award for public service to a person or organization
 12 who is not employed by the Arkansas Army National Guard, including without
 13 limitation the:

- 14 (i) "Arkansas Distinguished Public Service Medal";
- 15 (ii) "Arkansas Meritorious Public Service Medal"; or
- 16 (iii) "Arkansas Public Service Commendation Medal".

17 (3) The Department of the Military ~~is authorized to~~ may
 18 promulgate necessary rules to establish the criteria under which ~~any~~ a medal,
 19 ribbon, or decoration may be awarded.

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