1 State of Arkansas
2 94th General Assembly A Bill
3 Regular Session, 2023 HOUSE BILL 1248
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5 By: Representative Gonzales
6 By: Senator J. Bryant
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8 ### For An Act To Be Entitled
9   AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MEMBERS OF BOARDS
10   AND COMMISSIONS; TO REQUIRE MEMBERS OF BOARDS AND
11   COMMISSIONS TO BE RESIDENTS OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR
12   OTHER PURPOSES.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24   SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 25, Chapter 16, Subchapter 8, is
25 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:
26   25-16-807. Residency.
27   (a) As used in this section:
28   (1) "Reside" means to be physically present and to maintain a
29 residency;
30   (2) "Residency" means the place of actual abode, not a home
31 which a person expects to occupy at some future time; and
32   (3) "Resident" means a natural person domiciled in the State of
33 Arkansas who maintains a permanent place of abode within this state.
34   (b) All members of a state commission, board, council, committee
35 or similar body of the State of Arkansas shall:
36   (1) Be a resident of the State of Arkansas; and

1   (2) Reside in the state during the term of appointment to the
2   state commission, board, council, committee, or similar body.
3   (c) A member of a state commission, board, council, committee or
4   similar body of the State of Arkansas appointed from a specific geographical
5   area shall:
6   (1) Reside in that geographical area for the term of his or her
7   appointment; or
8   (2) Vacate the appointment.
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