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By: Senator B. Johnson

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROHIBITED
CONTRACTS BY STATE AGENCIES; TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF
PUBLIC FUNDS BY STATE AGENCIES TO PURCHASE
PROMOTIONAL ITEMS MADE IN CHINA; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PROHIBITED
CONTRACTS BY STATE AGENCIES; AND TO
PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS BY
STATE AGENCIES TO PURCHASE PROMOTIONAL
ITEMS MADE IN CHINA.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 25-1-1202, concerning the definitions for
the laws on prohibited contracts by state agencies, is amended to add
additional subdivisions to read as follows:

(5) "Promotional items" means one (1) or more items purchased by
a state agency with public funds to promote or advertise the agency,
including without limitation a:



- 1 (A) Bumper sticker;
2 (B) Clothing item;
3 (C) Key chain;
4 (D) Mug;
5 (E) Pen; or
6 (F) Pin;
7 (6) "Public funds" means the same as defined in § 19-11-203;

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9 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 25, Chapter 1, Subchapter 12, is
10 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

11 25-1-1204. Promotional items made in China prohibited.
12 A state agency shall not spend public funds to purchase promotional
13 items made in the People's Republic of China.

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15 SECTION 3. DO NOT CODIFY. The name of Arkansas Code Title 25, Chapter
16 1, Subchapter 12 is changed from "Prohibited Contracts by State Agencies" to
17 "Prohibited Actions by State Agencies." The Arkansas Code Revision Commission
18 shall make all changes in the Arkansas Code necessary to implement this
19 section.

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