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A Bill

SENATE BILL 815

By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO TRANSFER THE STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION
FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS TO THE ARKANSAS
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT TO TRANSFER THE STATE BOARD OF
REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS
TO THE ARKANSAS GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

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

SECTION 1. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. Effective July, 1, 2013, the State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists established by A.C.A. § 17-32-201 is transferred as a Type 1 transfer under A.C.A. § 25-2-104 to the Arkansas Geological Survey.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 15, Chapter 55, is amended to add an additional subchapter to read as follows:

15-55-214. Transfer of the State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists.

(a)(1) Effective July 1, 2013, the State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists is transferred to the Arkansas Geological Survey and shall be administered by the Arkansas Geological Survey Director.

(2) All authority, powers, duties, functions, records, authorized positions, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations or



other funds of the State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists are transferred to the Arkansas Geological Survey.

(b) In order to protect the State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists, to allow for continuation of necessary procedures, and to provide for a smooth transition to the Arkansas Geological Survey, the Arkansas Geological Survey Director, may not realign the functions or records of the State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists before July 1, 2014.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that this Act transfers the State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists to the Arkansas Geological Survey; that to effectively administer this Act the transition should occur at the beginning of the next fiscal year; and that the effectiveness of the Act of July 1, 2013, is essential to the operation of the agencies. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the preservation of public peace, health and safety shall become effective on July 1, 2013.

APPROVED: 04/04/2013