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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1218

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE DIVISION OF  
LAND SURVEYS OF THE ARKANSAS GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION  
SYSTEMS OFFICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO AMEND PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE  
DIVISION OF LAND SURVEYS OF THE ARKANSAS  
GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS OFFICE.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 15-21-202(a)(2), concerning the Land Survey Advisory Board, is amended to read as follows:

(2) The Land Survey Advisory Board shall assist and advise the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems ~~Board~~ Office and the State Surveyor concerning the powers, authority, and duties conferred upon the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems ~~Board~~ Office and the State Surveyor under this subchapter.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 15-21-204 is amended to read as follows:

15-21-204. Land Survey Advisory Board – Duties.

The Land Survey Advisory Board shall act in an advisory capacity to the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems ~~Board~~ Office and the State Surveyor in all matters relative to formulating policies of the Division of Land Surveys of the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office and the State Surveyor in promulgating the ~~regulations~~ rules designed to establish uniform professional surveying and mapping methods and standards for the state and in



formulating other policies, practices, and ~~regulations~~ rules as the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems ~~Board with the advice of the Land Survey Advisory Board deems~~ Office and the State Surveyor shall deem necessary to carry out the purpose and intent of this subchapter.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 15-21-205(a), concerning the State Surveyor, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board ~~may~~ shall employ a State Surveyor to be the head of the Division of Land Surveys of the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 15-21-205(b)(2), concerning the State Surveyor, is amended to read as follows:

(2) Be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems ~~Board~~ Office after the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems ~~Board~~ Office consults with the State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors and the Arkansas Society of Professional Surveyors;

SECTION 5. The introductory language of Arkansas Code § 15-21-206 is amended to read as follows:

15-21-206. ~~Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board~~ The State Surveyor – Powers and duties.

The State Surveyor, acting under the supervision and direction of the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems ~~Board~~ Office, shall have the following authority and responsibility:

SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 15-21-208(b), concerning the State Surveyor's right to enter private property, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Employees of the division, ~~members of the Land Survey Advisory Board, and members of the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board~~ shall be immune from arrest for trespass in performing their duties as prescribed in this subchapter but shall always, ~~where~~ when practical, announce and identify themselves and their intentions before entering upon private property. ~~The employees and members of the Land Survey Advisory Board and the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Board shall be personally liable for~~

~~any damage caused to private property by their wantonness, willfulness, or gross negligence.~~

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