

State of Arkansas  
93rd General Assembly  
Regular Session, 2021

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1117

By: Representative Wardlaw

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION INMATE  
FARM FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

CONCERNING THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION  
INMATE FARM FUND.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-30-307 is amended to read as follows:  
12-30-307. Payment for food used by division.

(a)(1) The Division of Correction may make payment from the Division of Correction Inmate Care and Custody Fund Account to the Division of Correction Farm Fund in an amount not to exceed fifty cents (50¢) on each dollar's worth of food produced on the ~~division~~ Division of Correction's farm for consumption in the Inmate Care and Custody Program.

(2) The Division of Community Correction may make payment to the Division of Correction Farm Fund in an amount not to exceed fifty cents (50¢) on each dollar's worth of food produced on the Division of Correction's farm for consumption by inmates in the custody of the Division of Community Correction.

(b) The ~~division~~ Division of Correction and the Division of Community Correction shall keep appropriate records reflecting farm production and the value of farm-produced products utilized in the Inmate Care and Custody Program or for the care of inmates in the custody of the Division of Community Correction and shall keep records of current market values in support of any such payments.



(c) In no event shall the amount received under this section, when combined with any loans forgiven under provisions of other laws, exceed the combined value of the ~~farm~~ farm-produced products utilized by the Inmate Care and Custody Program and utilized for the care of inmates held in the custody of the Division of Community Correction.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 19-5-501(b)(1)(B), concerning the Budget Stabilization Trust Fund and how the fund shall be used, is amended to read as follows:

(B)(i) The loans made to the Division of Correction Farm Fund are to be repaid on or before June 30 of the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the loan was made after the amount of the outstanding loan made the previous fiscal year has been reduced by the value of farm-produced products produced or processed on the farm that were consumed by inmates and other authorized personnel, in amounts as determined and certified by the Legislative Auditor to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

(ii) Processed beef purchased by the Division of Correction must be ~~U.S.~~ labeled as being from the United States.

(iii)(a) The value of products produced or processed on the farm that were consumed by inmates of the Division of Correction or inmates in the custody of the Division of Community Correction and other authorized personnel shall be based upon prices obtained by the Division of Correction and the State Procurement Director for purchasing similar products and quantities on the open market for other state agencies, institutions, and universities.

(b) However, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may grant an extension not to exceed sixty (60) days for repayment of loans made to the Division of Correction Farm Fund upon receipt by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State of a certification by the Director of the Division of Correction that ~~farm~~ farm-produced products are held in storage or are on hand that exceed in market value the amount of loans that are due, and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may grant an additional extension not to exceed sixty (60) days for repayment of the loan made to the Division of Correction Farm Fund, after obtaining the advice of the Legislative Council in regard to a request from the Division of Correction for the

additional sixty-day extension for repayment of the loan.

(iv) Loans made to the Division of Correction Prison Industry Fund for operation expenses shall be repaid on or before June 30 of the fiscal year in which the loan was made, but loans made for the purchase of equipment necessary for implementing the various industries shall be repaid from time to time.

**APPROVED: 3/8/21**