

State of Arkansas  
94th General Assembly  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1517

By: Representatives Andrews, Barker

By: Senator Stone

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO SEPARATE THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN OUACHITA COUNTY; TO CONSOLIDATE THE OFFICES OF TAX COLLECTOR AND COUNTY TREASURER IN OUACHITA COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO SEPARATE THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN OUACHITA COUNTY; AND TO CONSOLIDATE THE OFFICES OF TAX COLLECTOR AND COUNTY TREASURER IN OUACHITA COUNTY.

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

SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY.

(a) Effective January 1, 2026, the offices of sheriff and tax collector in Ouachita County, Arkansas, shall be separate offices.

(b) Effective January 1, 2026, the offices of tax collector and treasurer in Ouachita County, Arkansas, shall be consolidated into one (1) office.

(c) At the 2026 general election, the electors of Ouachita County shall elect both a sheriff and a tax collector-treasurer, and each officer so elected shall take office on January 1, 2027.

(d) The sheriff and the tax collector-treasurer in Ouachita County shall each give bond for the faithful performance of their respective duties as provided by law.

(e) The sheriff and the tax collector-treasurer of Ouachita County



shall each receive compensation that shall be determined by the Ouachita County Quorum Court within the minimum and maximum compensation range prescribed by the General Assembly and shall hire deputies and have other allowances as prescribed by the Ouachita County Quorum Court.

**APPROVED: 4/4/23**