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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1541

By: Representative Jean
By: Senator K. Hammer

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MODIFY THE AMOUNTS PAID BY QUORUM COURTS INTO CONTINUING EDUCATION FUNDS FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS; TO MODIFY THE AMOUNTS DISTRIBUTED FROM THE REVENUES DERIVED FROM THE REAL PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX TO COUNTY CONTINUING EDUCATION FUNDS FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO INCREASE AMOUNTS PAID BY QUORUM COURTS FOR THE CONTINUING EDUCATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS; AND TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF REAL PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX REVENUE DISTRIBUTED FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-15-811(c)(2)(A), concerning the County Treasurer's Continuing Education Board and the County Treasurers' Continuing Education Fund, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) The quorum court of each county shall annually appropriate and pay into the County Treasurers' Continuing Education Fund in the State Treasury the sum of ~~seven hundred dollars (\$700)~~ eight hundred dollars (\$800) from fees of the office of county treasurer.



SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-15-1001(c)(1)(B), concerning the County Collector's Continuing Education Board and the County Collectors' Continuing Education Fund, is amended to read as follows:

(B) The quorum court of each county shall annually appropriate and pay into the fund in the State Treasury the sum of ~~seven hundred dollars (\$700)~~ eight hundred dollars (\$800) from fees of the office of county collector.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 26-60-112(b)(1), concerning the distribution of the net revenue from the real property transfer tax, is amended to read as follows:

(1) Ten percent (10%) of the remainder shall be distributed as special revenues, as follows:

(A) The first ~~one hundred fifty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$157,500)~~ one hundred eighty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$181,500) of the remainder during each fiscal year shall be credited to the County Clerks Continuing Education Fund, the Circuit Clerks Continuing Education Fund, and the County Coroners Continuing Education Fund that are established in the State Treasury, to be used for defraying the expenses of training seminars and other educational projects benefiting county and circuit clerks and coroners in this state, as provided by appropriations enacted by the General Assembly and shall be used as follows:

(i)(a) ~~Fifty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$52,500)~~ Sixty thousand five hundred dollars (\$60,500) for county clerks' continuing education.

(b) Any unexpended balances of moneys designated for county clerks' continuing education shall be retained exclusively for the purpose of county clerks' continuing education;

(ii)(a) ~~Fifty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$52,500)~~ Sixty thousand five hundred dollars (\$60,500) for circuit clerks' continuing education.

(b) Any unexpended balances of moneys designated for circuit clerks' continuing education shall be retained exclusively for the purpose of circuit clerks' continuing education; and

(iii)(a) ~~Fifty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$52,500)~~ Sixty thousand five hundred dollars (\$60,500) for county coroners'

continuing education.

(b) Any unexpended balances of moneys designated for county coroners' continuing education shall be retained exclusively for the purpose of county coroners' continuing education; and

/s/Jean

APPROVED: 4/4/23