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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1006

By: Representative Painter

By: Senator Flippo

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REDESIGNATE THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AS A DIVISION A JUDICIAL DISTRICT AS IT RELATES TO PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

"TO REDESIGNATE THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AS A DIVISION A JUDICIAL DISTRICT AS IT RELATES TO PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-21-136 is amended to read as follows:
16-21-136. The Fourteenth Judicial District.

The Fourteenth Judicial District shall be a Division ~~B~~ A Judicial "District.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the current caseload of the Fourteenth Judicial District is burdensome for a part-time prosecuting attorney; that the prosecuting attorney for the Fourteenth Judicial District should be employed on a full-time basis; and that this act is immediately necessary to ensure the efficient administration of justice in the Fourteenth Judicial District. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:



(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."

/s/Painter

APPROVED: 2/3/25