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A Bill

SENATE BILL 254

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RURAL COMMUNITY PROJECTS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PROPERTY IN KIND"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RURAL COMMUNITY PROJECTS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PROPERTY IN KIND"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-270-102(7), concerning the definition of "property in kind" in relation to rural community projects, is amended to read as follows:

(7) ~~"Property in kind" means real or personal property~~ "In-kind donations" means committed goods and services, including without limitation:

- (A) Real or personal property;
- (B) Labor;
- (C) Equipment;
- (D) Materials;
- (E) Services; and
- (F) Money.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-270-103(a)(2)(A), concerning when the grant of state funds is authorized for rural community projects, is amended to read as follows:



(2)(A) The members of the community or small city or town presenting the request to the quorum court or the governing body shall have submitted proof that, through ~~donations of either money or property in kind~~ in-kind donations, the citizens of the community, city, or town, have pledged or will make available one-fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the cost of the project and that no tax funds are included in the citizens' support.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 14-270-103(a)(3), concerning when the grant of state funds is authorized for rural community projects, is amended to read as follows:

(3) The quorum court of the county or governing body of the city or town approves and, if the citizens of the community, city, or town do not provide the county's or the city's or town's share, appropriates the funds or provides ~~property in kind~~ in-kind donations to defray one-fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of the cost of the project; and

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