

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.  
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## A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1515

By: Representatives Painter, Ray

By: Senator Crowell

### For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY TO  
ORDER THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD INTO SERVICE; TO  
AUTHORIZE THE USE OF THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD FOR  
MATTERS RELATED TO MILITARY JUSTICE AND TO ADDRESS  
STAFFING SHORTAGES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

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AUTHORITY TO ORDER THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL  
GUARD INTO SERVICE; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE  
USE OF THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD FOR  
MATTERS RELATED TO MILITARY JUSTICE AND  
TO ADDRESS STAFFING SHORTAGES.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-61-111, concerning ordering the organized militia into service, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(c) With the approval of the Governor, the Adjutant General shall have power to order into the active service of the state for such a period, to such extent, and in such manner as he or she may deem necessary part of the Arkansas National Guard for:

(1) Matters related to the execution of military justice within §§ 12-64-403 – 12-64-405, § 12-64-407, §§ 12-64-409 – 12-64-412, § 12-64-414, § 12-64-504, § 12-64-510, § 12-64-517, § 12-64-606, § 12-64-707, § 12-64-709, and § 12-64-710 for an accused, a witness, prosecution counsel, defense



counsel, a paralegal, a military judge, a preliminary hearing officer, a deposition officer, a marshal, a bailiff, a court reporter, or a panel member when duty status orders under Title 32 of the United States Code are unavailable; or

(2) Voluntary support in a state active-duty status of the Arkansas National Guard to address critical staffing shortages related to security and essential military operations.

/s/Painter

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