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9 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

10 AN ACT TO EXTEND CERTAIN PAROLE PROVISIONS CONTAINED

11 IN ACT 570 OF 2011 TO INMATES WHO WERE CONVICTED

12 BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ACT; AND FOR OTHER

13 PURPOSES.

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16 **Subtitle**

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20 DATE OF THE ACT.

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

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25   SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative intent.

26   It is the intent of this act to put inmates sentenced before the

27 effective date of Act 570 of 2011 on equal basis with those inmates sentenced

28 after the effective date of the act by allowing all eligible inmates to avail

29 themselves to § 16-90-1301 et seq. The fact that there are inmates serving

30 sentences for the commission of the same offense with substantially similar

31 facts for the same length of time but with some inmates sentenced after the

32 effective date of Act 570 being released earlier is inequitable and needs to

33 be remedied.

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35   SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 16-90-1301 is amended to read as follows:

36   16-90-1301. Scope.

1   This subchapter shall apply to all applicable felony sentences entered
2   ~~on or after the effective date of the act~~ <u>after January 1, 1994</u>.
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