

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

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A Bill

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION AND THE
ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION AND
THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING CERTAIN
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

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

SECTION 1. Pursuant to authority granted to the General Assembly by Arkansas Constitution, Article 12, § 5(d), Arkansas Constitution, Article 12, § 5(c)(1), concerning the definition of "economic development projects", is amended to read as follows:

(1) "Economic development projects" means the land, buildings, furnishings, equipment, facilities, infrastructure, and improvements that are required or suitable for the development, retention, or expansion of:

- (A) Manufacturing, production, and industrial facilities;
- (B) Research, technology, and development facilities;
- (C) Recycling facilities;
- (D) Distribution centers;
- (E) Call centers;
- (F) Warehouse facilities;
- (G) Job training facilities; ~~and~~
- (H) Regional or national corporate headquarters

facilities; and



(I) Sports complexes designed to host local, state, regional, and national competitions, including without limitation baseball, softball, and other sports tournaments;

SECTION 2. Pursuant to authority granted to the General Assembly by Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 62, § 2(e), Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 62, § 2(d)(1), concerning the definition of "economic development projects", is amended to read as follows:

(1) "Economic development projects" means the land, buildings, furnishings, equipment, facilities, infrastructure, and improvements that are required or suitable for the development, retention, or expansion of:

- (A) Manufacturing, production, and industrial facilities;
- (B) Research, technology, and development facilities;
- (C) Recycling facilities;
- (D) Distribution centers;
- (E) Call centers;
- (F) Warehouse facilities;
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facilities; and

(I) Sports complexes designed to host local, state, regional, and national competitions, including without limitation baseball, softball, and other sports tournaments; and

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 14-164-303(7), concerning the definition of "economic development projects" in the Local Government Bond Act of 1985, is amended to read as follows:

(7) "Economic development projects" means the land, buildings, furnishings, equipment, facilities, infrastructure, and improvements that are required or suitable for the development, retention, or expansion of:

- (A) Manufacturing, production, and industrial facilities;
- (B) Research, technology, and development facilities;
- (C) Recycling facilities;
- (D) Distribution centers;
- (E) Call centers;
- (F) Warehouse facilities;

- (G) Job training facilities; ~~and~~
- (H) Regional or national corporate headquarters facilities; and
- (I) Sports complexes designed to host local, state, regional, and national competitions, including without limitation baseball, softball, and other sports tournaments;

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 14-174-105(a)(1), concerning the definition of "economic development project", is amended to read as follows:

(1) "Economic development project" means the land, buildings, furnishings, equipment, facilities, infrastructure, and improvements that are required or suitable for the development, retention, or expansion of:

- (A) Manufacturing, production, and industrial facilities;
- (B) Research, technology, and development facilities;
- (C) Recycling facilities;
- (D) Distribution centers;
- (E) Call centers;
- (F) Warehouse facilities;
- (G) Job training facilities; ~~and~~
- (H) Regional or national corporate headquarters facilities; and

(I) Sports complexes designed to host local, state, regional, and national competitions, including without limitation baseball, softball, and other sports tournaments;

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 14-176-102(3), concerning the definition of "economic development project" in the Local Job Creation, Job Expansion, and Economic Development Act of 2017, is amended to read as follows:

(3) "Economic development project" means the land, buildings, furnishings, equipment, facilities, infrastructure, and improvements that are required or suitable for the development, retention, or expansion of:

- (A) Manufacturing, production, and industrial facilities;
- (B) Research, technology, and development facilities;
- (C) Recycling facilities;
- (D) Distribution centers;
- (E) Call centers;

(F) Warehouse facilities;

(G) Job training facilities; ~~or~~

(H) Regional or national corporate headquarters

facilities; and

(I) Sports complexes designed to host local, state, regional, and national competitions, including without limitation baseball, softball, and other sports tournaments;