

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

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1212

By: Representatives Steimel, Painter

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CIVIL OFFICE  
HOLDINGS; TO ALLOW A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE TO ALSO  
SERVE AS A POLICE OFFICER IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CIVIL OFFICE  
HOLDINGS; AND TO ALLOW A JUSTICE OF THE  
PEACE TO ALSO SERVE AS A POLICE OFFICER  
IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-14-115(a)(1), concerning civil office holdings for county officials, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, A a person elected or appointed to any of the following county offices shall not be elected or appointed to another civil office during the term for which he or she has been elected:

- (A) County judge;
- (B) Justice of the peace;
- (C) Sheriff;
- (D) Circuit clerk;
- (E) County clerk;
- (F) Assessor;
- (G) Coroner;
- (H) Treasurer;



- (I) County surveyor; or
- (J) Collector.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-14-115(c), concerning civil office holdings for county officials, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(c) This section does not prevent a person:

(1) From being elected or appointed to an office under subdivision (a)(1) of this section if he or she held a civil office before January 1, 2017; ~~or~~

(2) From continuing to hold a civil office the person held before appointment or election to an office under subdivision (a)(1) of this section; or

(3) Who was elected or appointed as a justice of the peace from serving as a city police officer or school resource officer as described in § 6-10-128 outside the quorum court district he or she represents during his or her term.