

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

State of Arkansas  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1520

By: Representative Cavenaugh

By: Senator Crowell

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING OPINIONS OF THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION; TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO RESPOND TO A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR A LEGAL OPINION OR A RENEWAL OF A LEGAL OPINION WITHIN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO RESPOND TO A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR A LEGAL OPINION WITHIN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 26, Chapter 18, Subchapter 3, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

26-18-315. Written legal opinions – Issuance.

A written legal opinion issued by the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration or the Department of Finance and Administration as required by law or under the rules promulgated by the department shall be issued within:



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(1) Ninety (90) days of the secretary or the department receiving a written request for the written legal opinion; or

(2) Forty-five (45) days of the secretary or the department receiving a written request for renewal of a legal opinion previously issued by the secretary or the department if there has been no change in the statutory law, court interpretation, or department rules affecting the legal opinion previously issued by the secretary or the department.