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5 By: Senator Hester
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8 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

9 TO HONOR LOY BAILEY UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE
10 ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

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13 **Subtitle**

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15 FROM THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.
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17 WHEREAS, Loy Bailey retired as a state employee after working forty-
18 eight (48) years for the Arkansas Department of Health; and
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20 WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey spent his entire career with the Arkansas
21 Department of Health; and
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23 WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey first began his career with the Arkansas Department
24 of Health as a Sanitarian, now known as an Environmental Health Specialist;
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27 WHEREAS, among many roles throughout his career, Mr. Bailey served as a
28 district manager and eventually became the Benton County Local Health Unit
29 Administrator, where he has served since the early 1990s; and
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31 WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey has been active in numerous public health
32 associations throughout Arkansas, and served as a member of the Arkansas
33 Public Health Association, the Arkansas Society of Professional Sanitarians,
34 the Four State Sanitarians Association, and the State Board of Health; and
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36 WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey has served as a member of many boards and



1 organizations, including as Chair of the Benton County Community Coalition,
2 Chair of the Benton County Transitional Employment Assistance Board, Chair of
3 the Benton County Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect, a
4 member of the Siloam Springs Bridges to Wellness Board of Directors, and a
5 member of the Northwest Arkansas COVID-19 Task Force; and
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7 WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey is currently a member of the State Board of Health
8 and the Community Health subcommittee of the Mercy Health Foundation
9 Northwest Arkansas Board of Directors, and is the Coordinator of the Benton
10 County Medical Reserve Corps Unit; and
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12 WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey is currently a member of the Arkansas State
13 Employees Association Board of Directors and previously served for two (2)
14 terms as President of the Arkansas State Employees Association; and
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16 WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey is a life-long resident of Arkansas who dedicated
17 his life and career to serving the people of Arkansas, and who has left a
18 lasting impact on Arkansas and its people; and
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20 WHEREAS, Mr. Bailey retired from the Arkansas Department of Health on
21 December 31, 2025,
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23 NOW THEREFORE,

24 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
25 STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 THAT the Senate:

28 (1) Commend Loy Bailey on his forty-eight (48) years of service
29 to the Arkansas Department of Health;

30 (2) Thank him for his contributions to his community and the
31 state; and

32 (3) Wish him all the best in his retirement.
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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be
35 presented to Loy Bailey by the Secretary of the Senate.
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