

1 State of Arkansas
2 95th General Assembly
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1520

5 By: Representative Cavenaugh
6 By: Senator Crowell
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING OPINIONS OF THE
10 SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
11 ADMINISTRATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
12 ADMINISTRATION; TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARY OF THE
13 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION AND THE
14 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO RESPOND
15 TO A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR A LEGAL OPINION OR A RENEWAL
16 OF A LEGAL OPINION WITHIN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME;
17 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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21 TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARY OF THE
22 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION
23 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
24 ADMINISTRATION TO RESPOND TO A WRITTEN
25 REQUEST FOR A LEGAL OPINION WITHIN A
26 CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME.
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28 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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30 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 26, Chapter 18, Subchapter 3, is
31 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

32 26-18-315. Written legal opinions – Issuance.

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



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

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

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