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4

A Bill

SENATE BILL 176

5 By: Senators C. Tucker, J. Bryant
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 15 OF
10 THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING NATURAL RESOURCES AND
11 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE
16 15 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING
17 NATURAL RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC
18 DEVELOPMENT.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 15-11-205, concerning the Secretary of the
23 Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism, is amended to read as follows:

24 (d)(1) The department may enter into contracts with department
25 employees for the provision of golf lessons at the department's golf courses
26 if the:

27 (A) ~~Lessons~~ Golf lessons occur outside of the employee's
28 normal working hours;

29 (B) Employee is a Class A member or an apprentice of the
30 Professional Golfers' Association of America or the Ladies Professional Golf
31 Association; and

32 (C) Director of the State Parks Division has approved the
33 contract as being in accordance with department standards and procedures for
34 concession and operating contracts.
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36 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 15-11-503(4), concerning definitions under



1 the Arkansas Tourism Development Act, is amended to read as follows to add
2 clarifying language:

3 (4) "Eligible company" means any corporation, limited liability
4 company, partnership, registered limited liability partnership, sole
5 proprietorship, business trust, or any other entity that invests:

6 (A) A minimum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000)
7 in a high-unemployment county or one million dollars (\$1,000,000) in any
8 other county for the purpose of constructing, operating, or intending to
9 operate a tourism attraction project, whether owned or leased, within the
10 state that meets the standards promulgated by the director pursuant to § 15-
11 11-504; or

12 (B) For the purpose of constructing, operating, or
13 intending to operate a tourism attraction project, whether owned or leased,
14 located in a Natural State Initiative Opportunity Zone that meets the
15 standards promulgated under §§ 15-11-504 and 15-11-512:

16 (i) A minimum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars
17 (\$250,000) in a high-unemployment county; or

18 (ii) Five A minimum of five hundred thousand dollars
19 (\$500,000) in any other county;

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21 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 15-11-804(a), concerning selections for the
22 Arkansas Great Places Program, is amended to read as follows to repeal
23 obsolete language and update references:

24 ~~(a)(1)(A) The Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism shall select~~
25 ~~four (4) eligible organizations for participation in the Arkansas Great~~
26 ~~Places Program by July 1, 2012.~~

27 ~~(B) An eligible organization selected for participation in~~
28 ~~the program under subdivision (a)(1)(A) of this section shall participate in~~
29 ~~the program for a two year period.~~

30 ~~(C) The department shall select an eligible organization~~
31 ~~under subdivision (a)(1)(A) of this section from each of the four (4)~~
32 ~~congressional districts.~~

33 ~~(D) Two (2) of the four (4) eligible organizations~~
34 ~~selected under subdivision (a)(1)(A) of this section shall be located in~~
35 ~~counties of twenty thousand (20,000) residents or fewer.~~

36 ~~(2)(A) After July 1, 2012, the department The Department of~~

1 Parks, Heritage, and Tourism shall select by July 1 of each even-numbered
 2 year no more than four (4) eligible organizations for participation in the
 3 ~~program~~ Arkansas Great Places Program.

4 ~~(B)(2)~~ An eligible organization selected for participation
 5 in the program under subdivision ~~(a)(2)(A)(a)(1)~~ of this section shall
 6 participate in the program for a two-year period.

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 8 SECTION 4. DO NOT CODIFY. CONSTRUCTION AND LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

9 It is the intent of the General Assembly that:

10 (1) The enactment and adoption of this act shall not expressly
 11 or impliedly repeal an act passed during the regular session of the Ninety-
 12 Fifth General Assembly;

13 (2) To the extent that a conflict exists between an act of the
 14 regular session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly and this act:

15 (A) The act of the regular session of the Ninety-Fifth
 16 General Assembly shall be treated as a subsequent act passed by the General
 17 Assembly for the purposes of:

18 (i) Giving the act of the regular session of the
 19 Ninety-Fifth General Assembly its full force and effect; and

20 (ii) Amending or repealing the appropriate parts of
 21 the Arkansas Code of 1987; and

22 (B) Section 1-2-107 shall not apply; and

23 (3) This act shall make only technical, not substantive, changes
 24 to the Arkansas Code of 1987.

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