

1 State of Arkansas *As Engrossed: H4/3/25 S4/10/25*

2 95th General Assembly

# A Bill

3 Regular Session, 2025

HOUSE BILL 1846

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5 By: Representative S. Meeks

6 *By: Senator Irvin*

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS 2036 COMMISSION; AND  
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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## Subtitle

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TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS 2036 COMMISSION.

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

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18 SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. TEMPORARY LANGUAGE. Arkansas 2036  
19 Commission – Creation – Purpose – Members.

20 (a) There is created the Arkansas 2036 Commission.

21 (b) The purpose of the commission is to:

22 (1) Promote a suitable statewide observance of the two hundredth  
23 birthday of Arkansas;

24 (2) Explore the possible construction of a commemorative landmark  
25 that promotes tourism to the state;

26 (3) Cooperate and assist the Division of Arkansas Heritage with  
27 programs commemorating the two hundredth birthday of the state; and

28 (4) Provide assistance for the development of programs,  
29 projects, and activities promoting the history and heritage of the state.

30 (c) The commission shall consist of eight (8) members to include:

31 (1) The Director of the Division of Arkansas Heritage or his or  
32 her designee;

33 (2) The Secretary of the Department of Education or his or her  
34 designee;

35 (3) Two (2) members appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
36 Representatives;



1                   (4) Two (2) members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of  
2 the Senate; and

3                   (5) Two (2) members appointed by the Governor.

4                   (d)(1) The director or his or her designee shall serve as the chair of  
5 the commission.

6                   (2) The director or his or her designee shall call the first  
7 meeting of the commission within thirty (30) days of the effective date of  
8 this act.

9                   (3) Meetings shall be held at the call of the chair.

10                   (e)(1) Members of the commission shall serve at the pleasure of the  
11 appointing entity.

12                   (2) The terms of all members of the commission shall expire on  
13 December 31, 2036.

14                   (3) If a vacancy occurs on the commission, the vacancy shall be  
15 filled by the same process as the original appointment.

16                   (f) The commission shall establish rules and procedures for conducting  
17 its business.

18                   (g) Members of the commission shall serve without compensation.

19                   (h) A majority of the members of the commission shall constitute a  
20 quorum for transacting any business of the commission.

21                   (i) The division shall provide staff for the commission.

22                   (j) The commission shall expire on December 31, 2036.

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*/s/S. Meeks*

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