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A Bill

SENATE BILL 193

4
5 By: Senator Flippo
6 By: Representative Love

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TRAINING AND
10 INSTRUCTION OF A DEPUTY CORONER; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.

Subtitle

15 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TRAINING
16 AND INSTRUCTION OF A DEPUTY CORONER.

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

21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-15-308, concerning the training and
22 instruction of medicolegal death investigators, coroners, and deputy
23 coroners, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

24 (d)(1)(A) Within one (1) year of beginning employment as a deputy
25 coroner, a person employed as a deputy coroner after January 1, 2020, shall
26 complete the training required under this section and obtain a certificate
27 under subdivision (b)(1) of this section or present a certificate from the
28 American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators.

29 (B) A deputy coroner under subdivision (d)(1)(A) of this
30 section who does not comply with this subsection shall not continue
31 employment or activity as a deputy coroner, including without limitation
32 signing death certificates or assisting in death investigations.

33 (2) Within one (1) year of the date of employment of a deputy
34 coroner, the coroner shall provide the county judge with the deputy
35 coroner's:

36 (A) Name;



- 1 (B) Address;
- 2 (C) Starting date of employment; and
- 3 (D) Copy of the certificate under subdivision (d)(1)(A) of
- 4 this section.

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6 SECTION 2. TEMPORARY LANGUAGE. DO NOT CODIFY. (a) Before January 1,

7 2021, a person who is employed as a deputy coroner as of January 1, 2020,

8 shall complete the requirements of § 14-15-308.

9 (b) A deputy coroner under subsection (a) of this section who does not

10 comply with this section shall not continue employment or activity as a

11 deputy coroner, including without limitation signing death certificates or

12 assisting in death investigations.

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