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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1117

5 By: Representative Wardlaw
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION INMATE
9 FARM FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

11 CONCERNING THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION
12 INMATE FARM FUND.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-30-307 is amended to read as follows:
20 12-30-307. Payment for food used by division.

21 (a) (1) The Division of Correction may make payment from the Division
22 of Correction Inmate Care and Custody Fund Account to the Division of
23 Correction Farm Fund in an amount not to exceed fifty cents (50¢) on each
24 dollar's worth of food produced on the ~~division~~ Division of Correction's farm
25 for consumption in the Inmate Care and Custody Program.

26 (2) The Division of Community Correction may make payment to the
27 Division of Correction Farm Fund in an amount not to exceed fifty cents (50¢)
28 on each dollar's worth of food produced on the Division of Correction's farm
29 for consumption by inmates in the custody of the Division of Community
30 Correction.

31 (b) The ~~division~~ Division of Correction and the Division of Community
32 Correction shall keep appropriate records reflecting farm production and the
33 value of farm-produced products utilized in the Inmate Care and Custody
34 Program or for the care of inmates in the custody of the Division of
35 Community Correction and shall keep records of current market values in
36 support of any such payments.



1 (c) In no event shall the amount received under this section, when
2 combined with any loans forgiven under provisions of other laws, exceed the
3 combined value of the ~~farm~~ farm-produced products utilized by the Inmate Care
4 and Custody Program and utilized for the care of inmates held in the custody
5 of the Division of Community Correction.

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7 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 19-5-501(b)(1)(B), concerning the Budget
8 Stabilization Trust Fund and how the fund shall be used, is amended to read
9 as follows:

10 (B)(i) The loans made to the Division of Correction Farm
11 Fund are to be repaid on or before June 30 of the fiscal year following the
12 fiscal year in which the loan was made after the amount of the outstanding
13 loan made the previous fiscal year has been reduced by the value of farm-
14 produced products produced or processed on the farm that were consumed by
15 inmates and other authorized personnel, in amounts as determined and
16 certified by the Legislative Auditor to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
17 State.

18 (ii) Processed beef purchased by the Division of
19 Correction must be ~~U.S.~~ labeled as being from the United States.

20 (iii)(a) The value of products produced or processed
21 on the farm that were consumed by inmates of the Division of Correction or
22 inmates in the custody of the Division of Community Correction and other
23 authorized personnel shall be based upon prices obtained by the Division of
24 Correction and the State Procurement Director for purchasing similar products
25 and quantities on the open market for other state agencies, institutions, and
26 universities.

27 (b) However, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the
28 State may grant an extension not to exceed sixty (60) days for repayment of
29 loans made to the Division of Correction Farm Fund upon receipt by the Chief
30 Fiscal Officer of the State of a certification by the Director of the
31 Division of Correction that ~~farm~~ farm-produced products are held in storage
32 or are on hand that exceed in market value the amount of loans that are due,
33 and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State may grant an additional extension
34 not to exceed sixty (60) days for repayment of the loan made to the Division
35 of Correction Farm Fund, after obtaining the advice of the Legislative
36 Council in regard to a request from the Division of Correction for the

1 additional sixty-day extension for repayment of the loan.

2 (iv) Loans made to the Division of Correction Prison
3 Industry Fund for operation expenses shall be repaid on or before June 30 of
4 the fiscal year in which the loan was made, but loans made for the purchase
5 of equipment necessary for implementing the various industries shall be
6 repaid from time to time.

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