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## A Bill

SENATE BILL 229

By: Senator J. Boyd  
By: Representative Achor

Filed with: Senate Committee on Insurance and Commerce  
pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

### For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES  
WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; AND FOR OTHER  
PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL  
SERVICES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF  
COMMERCE.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 23, Chapter 45, Subchapter 1, is  
amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

23-45-107. Department of Financial Services – Creation.

(a) There is created within the Department of Commerce the Department  
of Financial Services.

(b) The Department of Financial Services shall consist of:

(1) The State Bank Department; and

(2) State Securities Department.

(c) The Bank Commissioner shall be the Director of the Department of  
Financial Services.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 25-43-302(a)(21), concerning the state  
entities within the Department of Commerce, is amended to read as follows:

1                   (21) The State Bank Department, created under § 23-46-201,  
2 within the Department of Financial Services;

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4           SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 25-43-302(a), concerning the state entities  
5 within the Department of Commerce, is amended to add an additional  
6 subdivision to read as follows:

7                   (26) The Department of Financial Services, created under § 23-  
8 45-107.

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11 Referred requested by the Arkansas Senate  
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