

State of Arkansas  
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By: Representative S. Miller

HOUSE BILL 2058

"AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO COLLECT A FIFTY DOLLAR FEE FOR HOME INSPECTIONS FOR LOAN PROCEDURES; TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO COLLECT SAME; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. (a) (1) Except as set forth in subsection (2) hereof, the Arkansas Department of Health shall hereafter collect a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per inspection for home inspections of sewage and water supply systems performed for home buyers or lending institutions in conjunction with home loan acquisitions.

(2) In counties collecting a home inspection fee to defray the costs of local health unit operations, pursuant to local ordinance of the quorum court, no inspection fee shall be collected pursuant to this Act.

(b) The Arkansas Department of Health may promulgate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 2. (a) All fees collected under this Act shall be deposited in the State Treasury as "special revenues" to the credit of the Public Health Fund.

(b) Subject to such rules and regulations as may be implemented by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the Disbursing Officer for the Department of Health is hereby authorized to transfer all unexpended funds relative to home inspections for loan procedures that pertain to fees collected, as certified by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, to be carried forward and made available for expenditures for the same purpose for any following fiscal year.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that due to current revenue shortfalls the services provided to the citizens of this State by the Arkansas Department of Health are threatened; that these services protect the public health, welfare and safety; that the establishment of a fee system is necessary to keep needed services operational. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

