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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1450

5 By: Representative Painter
6 By: Senator Hill
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REPORTS BY THE
10 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REPORTS BY
15 THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.
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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 Arkansas Code § 2-16-310 is repealed.

20 ~~2-16-310. Annual report.~~

21 ~~The State Plant Board shall make an annual report to the Governor, in~~
22 ~~which report it shall give an account of the disposition of the~~
23 ~~appropriations which may be made for the purposes of carrying out the~~
24 ~~provisions of this subchapter.~~
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26 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-18-2103(d), concerning the annual report
27 prepared by the farm to school and early childhood education program
28 coordinator, is repealed.

29 ~~(d) The farm to school and early childhood education program~~
30 ~~coordinator shall:~~

31 ~~(1) Prepare an annual report, in collaboration with~~
32 ~~stakeholders, that details the program activities conducted in furtherance of~~
33 ~~the following three (3) core elements of the farm to school and early~~
34 ~~childhood education program:~~

35 ~~(A) School gardens;~~

36 ~~(B) Food, nutrition, and agriculture education; and~~



1 ~~(C) Procurement of local farm or food products for school~~
 2 ~~meals and snacks; and~~

3 ~~(2) Submit the annual report to the House Committee on~~
 4 ~~Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development and to the Senate Committee~~
 5 ~~on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development.~~

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 7 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 15-23-1002(e)(2), concerning the annual
 8 review and report on the Buffalo River Watershed Management Plan by the
 9 Buffalo River Conservation Committee, is repealed.

10 ~~(2) Conduct an annual review of the Buffalo River Watershed~~
 11 ~~Management Plan and include recommendations for updates of the plan and a~~
 12 ~~report on successes during the year, as identified by the committee, to be~~
 13 ~~submitted to the Governor;~~

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 15 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 20-60-217 is repealed.
 16 ~~20-60-217. Reporting.~~

17 ~~Annually, the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture shall submit a~~
 18 ~~report on the operations, implementation, and administration of the State~~
 19 ~~Meat Inspection Program to the:~~

20 ~~(1) Governor;~~

21 ~~(2) Chair of the House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and~~
 22 ~~Economic Development; and~~

23 ~~(3) Chair of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and~~
 24 ~~Economic Development.~~

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 26 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 25-38-203(a)(11), concerning the annual
 27 report by the Department of Agriculture of the department's expenditures and
 28 accomplishments provided to the Governor, is amended to read as follows:

29 (11) Prepare and submit annually to the Governor a report of the
 30 Department of Agriculture's ~~expenditures and accomplishments~~ activities and
 31 programs, including ~~information from all entities~~ boards and commissions
 32 administered by the Department of Agriculture;

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 34 SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 25-38-203(a)(13), concerning the report by
 35 the Department of Agriculture concerning certain boards and commissions, is
 36 repealed.

1 ~~(13) Develop a report to be submitted each year on January 1 to~~
2 ~~the Governor, the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic~~
3 ~~Development, and the House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic~~
4 ~~Development, concerning the activities and programs of the:~~

5 ~~(A) Arkansas Catfish Promotion Board;~~

6 ~~(B) Arkansas Soybean Promotion Board;~~

7 ~~(C) Arkansas Rice Research and Promotion Board;~~

8 ~~(D) Arkansas Wheat Promotion Board;~~

9 ~~(E) Arkansas Corn and Grain Sorghum Promotion Board; and~~

10 ~~(F) Arkansas Beef Council.~~

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