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2 95th General Assembly
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1565

4
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6 By: Senator Crowell

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF A
10 COUNTY PROPERTY ASSESSOR; TO PERMIT A PROPERTY OWNER
11 TO OPT OUT OF HAVING THE PROPERTY OWNER'S INFORMATION
12 POSTED ON AN ONLINE DATABASE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

16 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DUTIES
17 OF A COUNTY PROPERTY ASSESSOR; AND TO
18 PERMIT A PROPERTY OWNER TO OPT OUT OF
19 HAVING THE PROPERTY OWNER'S INFORMATION
20 POSTED ON AN ONLINE DATABASE.

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

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24 SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative findings.

25 The General Assembly finds that:

26 (1) Records published online by county assessors are for the
27 convenience of a property owner;

28 (2) Online records afford a property owner the ability to pay
29 taxes and fees online;

30 (3) County assessors in Arkansas are not required by law to
31 publish records online however, certain records are available upon request;
32 and

33 (4) Property owners may desire to opt out of having their
34 records placed online for privacy or other reasons.

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36 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-14-111(b), concerning county government



1 use of electronic records, is amended to add an additional subdivision to
2 read as follows:

3 (4) "Online database" means a website with administrative rights
4 retained by a county official that is used by members of the public to search
5 public records maintained by the office of the county official.

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7 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 14-14-111, concerning county government use
8 of electronic records, is amended to add additional subsections to read as
9 follows:

10 (e)(1) A county assessor who maintains an online database for property
11 records shall allow a property owner to opt out of making the property
12 owner's information available on the online database.

13 (2) To opt out of having the property owner's information
14 included in the online database under subdivision (e)(1) of this section, the
15 property owner shall submit a request in writing to the county assessor
16 stating the property owner's intent to opt out of the online database.

17 (f) The Assessment Coordination Division may promulgate rules to
18 create and maintain the forms necessary to submit a request under subsection
19 (e) of this section.

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