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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1725

5 By: Representative Schulz
6 By: Senator B. Davis
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF
10 SHERIFF; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPENSATION FOR
11 THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OFFICE
15 OF SHERIFF; AND TO AMEND THE LAW
16 CONCERNING COMPENSATION FOR THE OFFICE
17 OF SHERIFF.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 14, Chapter 14, Subchapter 12, is
23 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

24 14-14-1214. Compensation of sheriffs.

25 (a) A quorum court shall fix by ordinance the annual salary of the
26 sheriff as provided under § 14-14-1204 subject to the adjustments provided by
27 § 14-14-1210 or otherwise provided by law.

28 (b) If an individual elected or appointed to the office of sheriff
29 does not have the training or experience provided under § 14-14-1315(a)(1) or
30 § 14-14-1315(a)(2) as documented on the filing required under § 14-14-1315,
31 the quorum court shall fix by ordinance the annual salary of the sheriff at
32 the minimum provided by § 14-14-1204, subject to the adjustments provided by
33 § 14-14-1210.
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35 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 14, Chapter 14, Subchapter 13, is
36 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:



1 14-14-1315. Required documentation for newly elected or appointed
 2 sheriffs.

3 (a) Within ten (10) days of his or her election or appointment, an
 4 individual elected or appointed to the office of sheriff shall file
 5 documentation with the county clerk that the individual:

6 (1) Is in compliance with the selection and training
 7 requirements for certification set by and documented by the Arkansas Law
 8 Enforcement Training Academy;

9 (2) Is eligible to be employed as a law enforcement officer
 10 under § 12-9-112; or

11 (3) Does not have the training or experience provided under
 12 subdivision (a)(1) or subdivision (a)(2) of this section.

13 (b) The county clerk shall provide copies of the documentation
 14 required under subsection (a) of this section to the quorum court before the
 15 individual elected or appointed to the office of sheriff takes office.

16 (c)(1) An individual elected or appointed to the office of sheriff
 17 that subsequently meets the training or experience under subdivision (a)(1)
 18 or subdivision (a)(2) of this section may file documentation of the training
 19 or experience with the county clerk.

20 (2) The county clerk shall provide copies of the documentation
 21 submitted under subdivision (c)(1) of this section to the quorum court, which
 22 may be considered when the quorum court is determining compensation under §
 23 14-14-1214.

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 25 SECTION 3. DO NOT CODIFY. Effective date. This act is effective on
 26 and after December 31, 2026.

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