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A Bill

SENATE BILL 617

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CAPITOL ZONING
10 DISTRICT; TO AMEND THE ZONING AUTHORITY OF THE
11 CAPITOL ZONING DISTRICT COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES.

Subtitle

16 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CAPITOL
17 ZONING DISTRICT; AND TO AMEND THE ZONING
18 AUTHORITY OF THE CAPITOL ZONING DISTRICT
19 COMMISSION.

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

23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 22-3-302, concerning the purpose and
24 creation of the Capitol Zoning District, is amended to add an additional
25 subsection to read as follows:

26 (c)(1) Except as provided under subdivision (c)(2) of this section, in
27 addition to the areas described under subsections (a) and (b) of this
28 section, the Capitol Zoning District shall also include all streets, paths,
29 bike lanes, and rights-of-way within a one-mile radius of the State Capitol.

30 (2) The streets, paths, bike lanes, and rights-of-way under
31 subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall not include those state highways as
32 designated under § 27-67-201.

34 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 22-3-304 is amended to read as follows:

35 22-3-304. Zoning authority of Capitol Zoning District Commission.

36 The Capitol Zoning District Commission is authorized broad scope in its



1 zoning authority to include, ~~but not be limited to,~~ without limitation the
2 following:

3 (1) Restrictions on the height, number of stories, and size of
4 buildings;

5 (2) Percentage of lots that may be occupied;

6 (3) Use of structures and land;

7 (4) Population density;

8 (5) Amount of open space;

9 (6) Parking areas; ~~and~~

10 (7) Restriction of noisy and polluting processes or those
11 endangering the health and safety of the citizens of the zoning district; and

12 (8) Design of streets, paths, bike lanes, and rights-of-way,
13 except those state highways as designated under § 27-67-201, within a one-
14 mile radius of the State Capitol.

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