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A Bill

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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 16 OF
10 THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PRACTICE, PROCEDURE, AND
11 COURTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE
16 16 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING
17 PRACTICE, PROCEDURE, AND COURTS.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-93-214 is amended to read as follows to
22 clarify its application and update references:

23 16-93-214. Mobile application concerning inmates and parolees – Safe
24 Arkansas App – Definition.

25 (a) As used in this section, “mobile application” means a computer
26 software program designed to run on a smartphone, computer tablet, or other
27 mobile device.

28 (b)(1) To the extent permitted by federal law, the ~~Parole~~ Post-Prison
29 Transfer Board shall administer a mobile application that shall provide the
30 information set out in subsection (c) of this section concerning:

31 (A) An inmate who is being considered for parole or post-
32 release supervision; or

33 (B) A parolee who is on parole or post-release
34 supervision.

35 (2) The mobile application required under subdivision (b)(1) of
36 this section shall be known as the “Safe Arkansas App”.



1 (3) To facilitate the administration of the mobile application
2 required under subdivision (b)(1) of this section, the board may seek the
3 assistance of the Division of Information Systems of the Department of
4 Transformation and Shared Services or enter into a contract for technical
5 database and data processing services.

6 (c)(1) The mobile application required under subdivision (b)(1) of
7 this section shall provide the following information concerning an inmate who
8 is being considered for parole or post-release supervision:

9 (A) The name of the inmate;

10 (B) The Division of Correction identification number of
11 the inmate;

12 (C) A current photograph of the inmate;

13 (D) The date the inmate is eligible for parole or post-
14 release supervision;

15 (E) The offense, sentence, date of sentencing, and
16 sentence length for any conviction for which the inmate is incarcerated; and

17 (F) Any other relevant public information about the inmate
18 the board deems necessary.

19 (2) The mobile application required under subdivision (b)(1) of
20 this section shall provide the following information concerning a parolee or
21 person on post-release supervision who is released on parole or post-release
22 supervision:

23 (A) The name of the parolee or person on post-release
24 supervision;

25 (B) The Division of Correction identification number of
26 the parolee or person on post-release supervision;

27 (C) A current photograph of the parolee or person on post-
28 release supervision;

29 (D) The offense, sentence, date of sentencing, and
30 sentence length for any conviction for which the parolee or person on post-
31 release supervision was incarcerated;

32 (E) The date the parolee or person on post-release
33 supervision was released on parole or post-release supervision;

34 (F) The time served by the parolee or person on post-
35 release supervision before parole or post-release supervision was granted;

36 (G) The approximate percentage of the sentence served by

1 the inmate or parolee or person on post-release supervision;

2 (H) If a parolee or person on post-release supervision is
3 charged with a subsequent charge after being released on parole or post-
4 release supervision:

5 (i) Any subsequent charge against the parolee or
6 person on post-release supervision;

7 (ii) The date of the subsequent charge against the
8 parolee or person on post-release supervision; and

9 (iii) Relevant details of any subsequent charge
10 against the parolee or person on post-release supervision; and

11 (I) Any other relevant public information about the
12 parolee or person on post-release supervision the board deems necessary.

13 (d) The information required to be posted on the board's mobile
14 application under subsection (c) of this section:

15 (1) Shall be consistently updated as required to be the most
16 current information available to the board; and

17 (2) May be removed when parole or post-release supervision has
18 been completed, if an inmate was released on parole or post-release
19 supervision.

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21 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 16-93-622 is amended to read as follows to
22 clarify its application:

23 16-93-622. Parole or post-release supervision discharge for offenders
24 who are minors – Reinstatement of rights.

25 (a) The Post-Prison Transfer Board may discharge a person from parole
26 or post-release supervision if:

27 (1) The person:

28 (A) Was released on parole or post-release supervision
29 under § 16-93-621 or any provision of this chapter in which the person's
30 parole or post-release supervision term exceeds five (5) years, for having
31 committed an offense as a minor; and

32 (B) Has served at least five (5) years on parole or post-
33 release supervision without a violation; and

34 (2) The prosecuting attorney in the county where the person was
35 originally convicted has consented to the discharge of the person from parole
36 or post-release supervision.

1 (b) Unless otherwise provided by Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 51,
2 a person who has been discharged from parole or post-release supervision
3 under subsection (a) of this section shall have his or her constitutional
4 right to vote restored.

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6 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 16-93-1804(4)(B), concerning release
7 eligibility for felonies committed on or after January 1, 2025, is reenacted
8 to ratify the decision by the Arkansas Code Revision Commission to change
9 “seriousness grid” to “sentencing grid” in order to correct a reference
10 error.

11 (B) The maximum amount of earned release credits that can
12 be accrued and granted by the Post-Prison Transfer Board under subdivision
13 (4)(A) of this section is fifty percent (50%) or seventy-five percent (75%)
14 of the term of imprisonment imposed by the sentencing court, depending on the
15 seriousness determination provided in the sentencing grid or table
16 promulgated by the Arkansas Sentencing Commission and approved by the
17 Legislative Council.

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19 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 16-93-1907(a)(3)(D)(ii)(b), concerning
20 administrative sanctions under post-release supervision, is reenacted to
21 ratify the decision by the Arkansas Code Revision Commission to delete “no”
22 before “more than” in order to correct a word usage error.

23 (b) If an offender on post-release supervision
24 accumulates more than thirty (30) days’ incarceration in a county or regional
25 jail or more than three hundred sixty (360) days’ incarceration in a Division
26 of Correction facility or a Division of Community Correction facility as an
27 intermediate sanction, the community supervision officer shall recommend a
28 revocation of the offender’s post-release supervision under § 16-93-1908.

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30 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 16-93-1907(c)(1), concerning administrative
31 sanctions under post-release supervision, is reenacted to ratify the decision
32 by the Arkansas Code Revision Commission to change “Division of Correction”
33 to “Department of Corrections” in order to correct a reference error.

34 (1) May be reduced by the Department of Corrections for good
35 behavior and successful program completion; and

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2 SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 16-93-1908(e)(2) is reenacted to ratify the
3 decision by the Arkansas Code Revision Commission to change “preliminary
4 hearing” to “revocation hearing” in order to correct a reference error.

5 (2) If the revocation hearing is not waived by the offender
6 under subsection (c) of this section, the revocation hearing shall be held
7 within fourteen (14) days after the arrest and reasonably near the place
8 where the alleged violation occurred or where the offender was arrested.

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10 SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 16-114-401(5), concerning definitions under
11 the Protecting Minors from Medical Malpractice Act of 2023, is repealed
12 because the defined term is not used in the subchapter.

13 ~~(5) “Public funds” means the same as defined in § 20-9-1501.~~

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15 SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 16-131-206(c), concerning liability and
16 good faith for settlement agreements under the Arkansas Statutory Thresholds
17 for Settlement Agreements Involving Minors Act, is amended to read as follows
18 to add clarifying language:

19 (c) A person or entity against whom a minor has a claim that settles
20 the claim with the minor in good faith under this subchapter by entering into
21 a settlement agreement with the minor’s guardian is not liable to the minor
22 for any claims arising from the settlement of the claim.

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24 SECTION 9. DO NOT CODIFY. CONSTRUCTION AND LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

25 It is the intent of the General Assembly that:

26 (1) The enactment and adoption of this act shall not expressly
27 or impliedly repeal an act passed during the regular session of the Ninety-
28 Fifth General Assembly;

29 (2) To the extent that a conflict exists between an act of the
30 regular session of the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly and this act:

31 (A) The act of the regular session of the Ninety-Fifth
32 General Assembly shall be treated as a subsequent act passed by the General
33 Assembly for the purposes of:

34 (i) Giving the act of the regular session of the
35 Ninety-Fifth General Assembly its full force and effect; and

36 (ii) Amending or repealing the appropriate parts of

1 the Arkansas Code of 1987; and

2 (B) Section 1-2-107 shall not apply; and

3 (3) This act shall make only technical, not substantive, changes
4 to the Arkansas Code of 1987.

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