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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1137

5 By: Representatives Cavanaugh, Gazaway, *Lundstrum*
6 By: Senator B. Johnson
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS WATER AND AIR POLLUTION
10 CONTROL ACT; TO CREATE AN EXCEPTION FOR VEGETATION
11 DISPOSAL BURNING BY CERTAIN ENTITIES; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS WATER AND AIR
17 POLLUTION CONTROL ACT; AND TO CREATE AN
18 EXCEPTION FOR VEGETATION DISPOSAL BURNING
19 BY CERTAIN ENTITIES.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 8-4-305(7), concerning exceptions to the
25 law related to air pollution under the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution
26 Control Act for certain governmental entities, is amended to read as follows:

27 (7) Fires set or permitted by any public officer, board,
28 council, or commission when the fire is set or permission to burn is given in
29 the performance of the duty of the public officer, board, council, or
30 commission for the purpose of weed abatement, vegetation disposal, the
31 prevention or elimination of a fire hazard, or the instruction of employees
32 in the methods of fire fighting, which is necessary in the opinion of the
33 public officer, board, council, or commission, or from fires set pursuant to
34 permit for the purpose of instruction of employees of private industrial
35 concerns in methods of fire fighting, or for civil defense instruction; or
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