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Article I. AIR / WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

A.C.A. § 8-4-101-316. Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act.

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Article II. CHILD, YOUTH, SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES**A.C.A. §§ 9-28-201-217. Youth Services.****A.C.A. § 9-28-201(a) Legislative intent and purpose.**

(a) The General Assembly recognizes that the state has a responsibility to provide its youth with appropriate services and programs to help decrease the number of juvenile offenders in the state and to create a better future for the state's youth and that reforms in the juvenile justice system require oversight by an organization with special expertise in the problems of juvenile offenders. Therefore, the General Assembly declares that this subchapter is necessary to create a single entity within the Department of Human Services with primary responsibility for coordinating, sponsoring, and providing services to Arkansas' youth and to create structures within state government that will be responsive to the needs of the state's youth.

A.C.A. §§ 12-41-801-809. Juvenile Detention Facilities Cooperative Development and Operations Act.**A.C.A. § 12-41-804. Regional facilities.**

(a) Local governmental units are authorized to cooperate with other localities on a basis of mutual advantage and thereby to provide services and facilities in a manner and pursuant to forms of governmental organization that will accord best with geographic, economic, populations, and other factors influencing the need and development of local governmental units.

(b) Local governmental units may contract with the state through the Division of Youth Services of the Department of Human Services for the financing, acquisition, construction, and operation of juvenile detention facilities, in particular, in accordance with the provisions and procedures as outlined in the Interlocal Cooperation Act, § 25-20-101, et seq.

A.C.A. § 14-20-116. Student accident prevention program.

(a) The quorum courts of the counties of Arkansas are hereby authorized by ordinance to establish a Youth Accident Prevention Program designed to educate junior and senior high school students about driving while intoxicated, seat belt safety, and injuries

resulting from drinking and driving and not being belted. These programs may be conducted up to four (4) days in length, and the cost of salaries, equipment supplies, and other items related to the operation of the program shall be paid by the county.

(b) The municipal courts of Arkansas are hereby authorized to allocate up to five dollars (\$5.00) of every fine, penalty, and forfeiture imposed and collected from every person convicted of a moving traffic offense for any Youth Accident Prevention Education Program created under subsection (a) of this section, and the same allocation shall pertain to any bond which is forfeited for any such offenses. These funds are to be remitted to the county treasurer and deposited into a special fund. Funds may be expended from this fund only for the purposes of this section.

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Article III. PUBLIC HEALTH, HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES

A.C.A. § 14-262-104. County health officer.

- (a) The office of county health officer is created in each county within the state.
- (b) The State Board of Health, upon recommendation of the county judge, shall appoint for each county in this state a health officer who shall serve a term of four (4) years and may be reappointed for additional terms.
- (c) (1) The county health officer shall be a graduate of an accredited and reputable medical or osteopathic university, shall be licensed to practice medicine in Arkansas, and shall have had at least three (3) years' experience in the practice of medicine in the state.
 - (2) Time spent in the practice of medicine while in the service of the United States Armed Forces shall be accepted as equivalent to time spent in the practice of medicine in Arkansas.
- (d) (1)(A) The county health officer shall serve as a key public health representative in the local community.
 - (B) The duties of the county health officer shall include without limitation:
 - (i) Promoting the use of local health unit services;
 - (ii) Advocating for public health policy initiatives with local and state policy makers;
 - (iii) Providing assistance to local public health education and promotion initiatives; and
 - (iv) Establishing a regular communication process with the local health unit administrator.
 - (i) When performing official duties, a county health officer is immune from civil suit and liability in the same manner as officers and employees of the State of Arkansas are immune under §19-10-305 and Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, §20.

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A.C.A. § 14-262-106. Health departments; establishment.

- (a) Any county may, by proper order of the county court, establish and maintain a county health department.
- (b) Any two (2) or more counties may, with approval of the State Board of Health and, by order of the county court of the respective counties, establish and maintain a district health department.
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- (g) No county, whether in a multiple unit or otherwise, voting "NO" regarding the establishment and maintenance of a county health department shall be forced to create a health unit.

A.C.A. §§ 12-12-1701-1722. Adult and Long-Term Care Facility Resident Maltreatment Act.

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Article IV. SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES

A.C.A. § 25-10-115. County offices of human services.

- (a) The Director of the Department of Human Services shall establish a county office of human services in each county of this state. The county offices shall provide the citizens of each county access to the various services and programs provided by the Department of Human Services as well as follow-up contact and services.
- (b) In establishing a county office of human services, it is necessary that each county office be staffed to provide complete access to services and programs of the department.

A.C.A. §§ 20-79-201-216. Rehabilitation Act of Arkansas.

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