



# LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEWS

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## News From The Pulaski County Quorum Court And Your Justice of the Peace Allen Kerr

Dear Friends and Constituents:

Already my first 90 days on the Quorum Court have flown by and I want to report we have made great strides toward getting the county budget back in balance again! Over the past 7 years the projected revenue figures have been distorted to the point that the members of the quorum court and the budget committee could not make the proper judgment of what should be appropriated to the departments. By getting the corrected figures in a form that is easy to read I was able to show that we were over projecting by about 5.5 million dollars.

Now that we know what the problems are, I have developed a recovery plan to bring the projections back into alignment with what we will actually receive in revenue. The plan also provides a schedule to create an emergency fund. In addition, it provides a system to create a fund for each building the county owns for maintenance and repairs to prevent our facilities from deteriorating to a state of unprepared such as the current problem with the roof on the jail building as well as the juvenile detention center. You may review the entire plan by going to my web-site at [voteallenkerr.com](http://voteallenkerr.com) and clicking on the link, "Pulaski County Recovery Plan".

On a lighter note, many have asked about my policy on performing weddings and marriage ceremonies. I will be more than happy to assist and perform ceremonies for my constituents of District #3 when called upon. However, they are not my main focus.

As ever, please contact me if I can assist you in any way. You can contact me at my office at 501-225-3170 or through either my web-site at [voteallenkerr@comcast.net](http://voteallenkerr@comcast.net) or my business e-mail of [akerr@allenkerrinsurance.com](mailto:akerr@allenkerrinsurance.com).

Thank you,

Allen Kerr  
Justice of the Peace District #3

## News From The Arkansas State Legislature And Your State Representative Sid Rosenbaum

Dear friend,

This is a bittersweet time for me. I have served as west Little Rock's state representative (district 32) for three terms, but because of term limits I am approaching the end of my final legislative session. I have enjoyed the opportunity – and the honor – of serving you. As the chairman of the House Insurance and Commerce Committee, I have done my best to help shepherd legislation through that helps our economy, our businesses, and our citizens. I thought I would take a moment to tell you about a few of the bills I have written this year.

HB 2768 would strengthen the definition of "informed consent" under Arkansas law so as to prevent any person from forcing a woman to undergo an abortion.

HB 2662 would toughen Arkansas ethics laws for state legislators. The bill would require legislators who do business with state agencies to disclose their contracts to a state legislative committee, which then is obliged to issue a report to the state Ethics Commission.

HB 2328 would, in effect, prohibit registered sex offenders from changing their residence so as to reside within 2000 feet of a long-term care facility.

HB 1580 would close a loophole in the law by authorizing veterans who are totally and permanently disabled to use the parking spaces that are designated for persons with disabilities.

Obviously a summary sentence or two cannot fully describe any legislation, and I urge you to look at the state legislature's website -- [www.arkleg.state.ar.us](http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us) -- for more information on these or any of the 17 bills I have filed this session.

I hope you will always feel free to contact me at [sidrosenbaum@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sidrosenbaum@sbcglobal.net) if I can be of service.

Sincerely,

Sid Rosenbaum