

**Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.**

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**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1473

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**For An Act To Be Entitled**

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12 AN ACT TO FURTHER DEFINE THE CRIMINAL ACT OF  
13 VOYEURISM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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15 **Subtitle**

16 TO FURTHER DEFINE THE ACT OF VOYEURISM.

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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 § 5-16-101 is amended to read as follows:

22 5-16-101. Crime of video voyeurism.

23 (a) It is unlawful to use any camera, videotape, photo-optical,  
24 photoelectric, or any other image recording device for the purpose of  
25 secretly observing, viewing, photographing, filming, or videotaping a person  
26 present in a residence, place of business, school, or other structure, or any  
27 room or particular location within that structure, if that person:

28 (1) Is in a private area out of public view;  
29 (2) Has a reasonable expectation of privacy; and  
30 (3) Has not consented to the observation.

31 (b) It is unlawful to knowingly use a camcorder, motion picture  
32 camera, photographic camera of any type, or other equipment that is concealed  
33 or disguised to secretly or surreptitiously videotape, film, photograph,  
34 record, or view by electronic means a person:

35 (1) For the purpose of viewing any portion of the person's body



1   that is covered with clothing and for which the person has a reasonable  
2   expectation of privacy;

3                 (2) Without the knowledge or consent of the person being  
4   videotaped, filmed, photographed, recorded, or viewed by electronic means;  
5   and

6                 (3) Under circumstances in which the person being videotaped,  
7   filmed, photographed, recorded, or viewed by electronic means has a  
8   reasonable expectation of privacy.

9                 **(b)(c)(1)** A violation of subsection (a) of this section is a Class D  
10   felony.

11                 **(2)** A violation of subsection (b) of this section is a Class B  
12   misdemeanor.

13                 **(e)(d)** The provisions of this section do not apply to any of the  
14   following:

15                 (1) Video recording or monitoring conducted pursuant to a court  
16   order from a court of competent jurisdiction;

17                 (2) Security monitoring operated by or at the direction of an  
18   occupant of a residence;

19                 (3) Security monitoring operated by or at the direction of the  
20   owner or administrator of a place of business, school, or other structure;

21                 (4) Security monitoring operated in a motor vehicle used for  
22   public transit;

23                 (5) Security monitoring and observation associated with a  
24   correctional facility, regardless of the location of the monitoring  
25   equipment;

26                 (6) Video recording or monitoring conducted by a law enforcement  
27   officer within the official scope of his or her duty; or

28                 (7) Videotaping pursuant to § 12-12-508(b).

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30                 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-16-102(a)(1), concerning definitions for  
31   the offense of voyeurism, is amended to read as follows:

32                 (1) "Nude or partially nude" means any person who has less than  
33   a fully opaque covering over the genitals, pubic area, ~~or buttocks, or breast~~  
34   of a female;

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36                 APPROVED: 3/1/2007