## 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.

## Act 203 of the Regular Session

1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: H2/14/07 S2/22/07	
2	86th General Assembly	A Bill	
3	Regular Session, 2007		HOUSE BILL 1289
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5	By: Representative Burris		
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8		For An Act To Be Entitled	
9	AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE FIRST MONDAY IN MAY OF		
10	EACH YEAR "HEMOPHILIA AWARENESS DAY"; AND FOR		
11	OTHER PURPOSES.		
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13		Subtitle	
14	AN AC	CT TO DESIGNATE THE FIRST MONDAY I	N
15	MAY O	OF EACH YEAR "HEMOPHILIA AWARENESS	<b>(</b>
16	DAY".	•	
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19	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:		
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21	SECTION 1. Arka	nsas Code Title 1, Chapter 5, Subo	chapter l is amended
22	to add an additional section to read as follows:		
23	1-5-116. Hemoph	ilia Awareness Day.	
24	(a) The General	Assembly finds that:	
25	<u>(1) Hemop</u>	hilia is the name of several here	ditary genetic
26	illnesses that impair	the body's ability to control blee	eding;
27	<u>(2) Hemop</u>	hilia is characterized by excessiv	ve, uncontrollable
28	bleeding caused by mis	sing or low-level clotting factor	in the blood;
29	<u>(3) Hemop</u>	hiliac bleeding may occur even who	en a sufferer has
30	sustained no injury;		
31	(4) Hemop	hiliac bleeding most often occurs	in the joints and in
32	the head;		
33	<u>(5) Appro</u>	eximately twenty thousand (20,000)	citizens nationwide
34	are suffering from hem	nophilia, and one (1) in each five	thousand (5,000) live
35	males births in the United States results in hemophilia;		



1	(6) Hemophilia affects males almost exclusively, affecting one		
2	in five thousand (1 in 5,000) males;		
3	(7) Hemophilia occurs in all demographic groups;		
4	(8) There is no cure for hemophilia; and		
5	(9) Hemophilia is a lifelong condition that can be controlled		
6	with regular injections of the deficient clotting factor.		
7	(b) The first Monday in May of each year shall be known in Arkansas as		
8	"Hemophilia Awareness Day".		
9	(c) Hemophilia Awareness Day shall not be a legal holiday but shall be		
10	a memorial day to be commemorated by the issuance of an appropriate		
11	proclamation by the Governor.		
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13	/s/ Burris		
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