

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**
4 **By: Representative Gibson**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 16-63-201 REQUIRING THAT
9 DAMAGES NOT BE SPECIFIED IN A PLEADING; PROVIDING FOR
10 DELIVERY OF A STATEMENT OF DAMAGES; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

14 "AN ACT REQUIRING THAT DAMAGES NOT BE SPECIFIED IN A
15 PLEADING; PROVIDING FOR DELIVERY OF A STATEMENT OF
16 DAMAGES."

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 16-63-201 is amended to read as follows:

21 "16-63-201 Pleadings generally.

22 (a) The pleadings are the written statements, by the parties, of the
23 facts constituting their respective claims and defenses.

24 (b) In any action for damages for personal injury or wrongful death,
25 the complaint or other pleading asserting a claim for recovery of damages
26 shall not specify the amount of damages claimed, but shall, instead, contain a
27 general allegation of damage and shall state that the damages claimed are
28 within any minimum or maximum jurisdictional limits of the court to which the
29 pleading is addressed.

30 (c) At any time after service of the pleading asserting a claim for
31 recovery of damages, the party against whom the claim is made may, by written
32 request or by interrogatory, demand a statement of the amount of damages being
33 claimed, which shall be answered within thirty (30) days."

35 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent

1 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
2 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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4 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
5 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
6 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
7 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
8 act are declared to be severable.

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10 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
11 hereby repealed.

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