

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 1103

5 By: Representative Clemons
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 *AN ACT TO REQUIRE HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES AND*
10 *CONTRACTORS TO MONITOR BARRICADES AND SIGNS*
11 *DURING HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION TO ENSURE THAT*
12 *TRAFFIC LANES REMAIN CLEAR.*

Subtitle

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16 *CONTRACTORS TO MONITOR BARRICADES AND*
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18 *ENSURE THAT TRAFFIC LANES REMAIN CLEAR.*
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-67-211 is amended to read as follows:
23 27-67-211. Highway closure during construction.

24 (a)(1) The State Highway Commission shall have full authority to close
25 any state highway to traffic during such time as the commission may deem it
26 necessary while work is being done thereon by the commission under the
27 authority of this chapter or while it is necessary for the protection of the
28 road during a period of overflow.

29 (2) During the time the road is closed, the commission may
30 authorize the placing of suitable barricades and signs at each end of the
31 portion of the road that is closed.

32 (3)(A) If a state highway or highway lanes are closed during a
33 period of highway construction, the contractor shall provide a telephone
34 number to the sheriff in the county for the purpose of informing the
35 contractor, when the employees of the contractor are not present, of any
36 traffic impediments caused by barricades or signs in the construction or



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1 repair zone.

2 (B) If a state highway or highway lanes are closed due to
3 highway construction performed by the Arkansas State Highway and
4 Transportation Department and department employees are not present, the
5 department shall provide a telephone number to the county sheriff's
6 department in the county for the purpose of informing the department of any
7 traffic impediments caused by barricades or signs in a construction or repair
8 zone.

9 (b) Any person who shall remove the barricades or who shall use or
10 attempt to use any section of a state highway thus closed to traffic shall be
11 deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. Upon conviction, that person shall be fined
12 not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than one hundred dollars
13 (\$100) and shall be liable to the state for any damage done.

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15 /s/ Clemons
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