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.

1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: H4/4/03 S4/14/03			
2	84th General Assembly	Å Bill			
3	Regular Session, 2003 HOUSE BIL			2710	
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5	By: Representative Green				
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled				
9	AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 5-60-113 TO				
10	INCREASE THE FINE AND CLARIFY THE OFFENSE OF				
11	USING ABUSIVE LANGUAGE TO A SCHOOL BUS DRIVER;				
12	AND FOR	R OTHER PURPOSES.			
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14		Subtitle			
15	AN A	ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 5-60-113			
16	TO 1	INCREASE THE FINE AND CLARIFY THE			
17	OFFI	ENSE OF USING ABUSIVE LANGUAGE TO A			
18	SCHO	OOL BUS DRIVER.			
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21	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:				
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23	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-60-113 is amended to read as follows:				
24	5-60-113. Using abusive language to school bus driver.				
25	(a) <u>(l)</u> It is u	ınlawful <u>during regular school hours c</u>	or on a school b	us	
26	while being transport	ted to or from school or school relate	<u>ed activities,</u> f	or	
27	any person or persons	to threaten, curse, or use abusive l	languag e to <u>addr</u>	ess	
28	a school bus driver i	in the presence of students in this st	:ate <u>using langu</u>	age	
29	which in its common a	acceptation is calculated to:			
30	<u>(A)</u>	Cause a breach of the peace;			
31	<u>(B)</u>	Materially and substantially interf	ere with the		
32	operation of the school bus; or				
33	<u>(C)</u>	Arouse the person to whom it is add	lressed to anger	to	
34	the extent likely to cause imminent retaliation.				
35	(b) <u>(l)</u> Any per	son who violates the provisions of th	nis section shal	.1 be	
36	guilty of a an unclas	ssified misdemeanor; and upon convicti	Lon		

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1	(2) A person who pleads guilty, nolo contendere, or is found		
2	guilty of violating this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than		
3	twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than one		
4	hundred dollars (\$100) five hundred dollars (\$500).		
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6	SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 5, Chapter 60, Subchapter 1 is amended		
7	to add an additional section to read as follows:		
8	5-60-123. Willfully trespassing upon, damaging or impeding the		
9	progress of a public school bus.		
10	(a) No person shall enter a public school bus if the person has been		
11	told by the bus driver, a school teacher, or other school personnel to not		
12	enter the school bus.		
13	(b) No person shall remain on a school bus after being told by the bus		
14	driver, a school teacher, or other school personnel to leave the bus.		
15	(c) No person shall unlawfully with malicious intent stop, impede,		
16	delay, or detain any public school bus being operated for public purposes.		
17	(d) Subsections (a), (b), and (c) of this section shall not apply to a		
18	child less than twelve (12) years of age, authorized school personnel, or a		
19	certified law enforcement officer or other emergency services personnel		
20	acting within the scope of his or her duty.		
21	(e) Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be		
22	guilty of an unclassified misdemeanor and a person who pleads guilty, nolo		
23	contendere, or is found guilty shall be punished by a fine of not less than		
24	one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than five hundred (\$500).		
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