

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
2 84th General Assembly
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 693

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5 By: Senator Glover
6 By: Representative King

For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO PROVIDE CIVIL IMMUNITY FOR THE USE OF
11 NONDEADLY PHYSICAL FORCE TO PREVENT THE
12 COMMISSION OF A FELONY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

15 AN ACT TO PROVIDE CIVIL IMMUNITY FOR
16 THE USE OF NONDEADLY PHYSICAL FORCE TO
17 PREVENT THE COMMISSION OF A FELONY.

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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 § 5-2-609 is amended to read as follows:

23 5-2-609. Use of physical force in defense of property.

24 (a) A person is justified in using nondeadly physical force upon
25 another person when and to the extent that he reasonably believes it
26 necessary to prevent or terminate the person's commission or attempted
27 commission ~~by the other person~~ of theft or criminal mischief, or subsequent
28 flight therefrom.

29 (b) No person shall be civilly liable for injuries caused to any
30 person resulting from the use of nondeadly physical force upon the person to
31 prevent the person's commission or attempted commission of theft or criminal
32 mischief, or subsequent flight therefrom, if the nondeadly physical force was
33 used consistent with this section.

