A Bill

For An Act To Be Entitled
AN ACT TO DESIGNATE AN OFFICIAL STATE FIREARM; TO
DESIGNATE THE SHOTGUN AS THE OFFICIAL STATE FIREARM;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle
TO DESIGNATE THE SHOTGUN AS THE OFFICIAL
STATE FIREARM.

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

SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative findings and intent.
(a) The General Assembly finds that:
(1) The right to hunt, fish, trap, and harvest wildlife is a
right guaranteed by the Arkansas Constitution;
(2) Hunting provides a recreational and economic benefit to the
citizens of the state;
(3) The shotgun is the primary weapon used for hunting waterfowl
in the state; and
(4) The shotgun was in use for hunting in the state before 1836
when Arkansas was admitted to the Union.

(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly to recognize the
important role the shotgun plays in hunting in Arkansas.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter 1, is amended
to add an additional section to read as follows:
1-4-134. State firearm.
The shotgun is designated the official firearm of the State of
Arkansas.

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