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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1623

5 By: Representative Tosh
6 By: Senator D. Wallace
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE OFFENSE
10 OF FLEEING BY MEANS OF A VEHICLE OR CONVEYANCE; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE
16 OFFENSE OF FLEEING BY MEANS OF A VEHICLE
17 OR CONVEYANCE.
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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 § 5-54-125(d), concerning fleeing by means of
23 any vehicle or conveyance, is amended to read as follows:

24 (d)(1)(A) Fleeing by means of any vehicle or conveyance is considered
25 a Class A misdemeanor.

26 (B) A person convicted under subdivision (d)(1)(A) of this
27 section shall serve a minimum of two (2) days in jail.

28 ~~(C) A person convicted under subdivision (d)(1)(A) of this~~
29 ~~section who operated the vehicle or conveyance in excess of the posted speed~~
30 ~~limit shall serve a minimum of thirty (30) days in jail.~~

31 (2) Fleeing by means of any vehicle or conveyance is considered
32 a Class D felony if the person operated the vehicle or conveyance in excess
33 of the posted speed limit.

34 ~~(2)(3)~~ Fleeing by means of any vehicle or conveyance is
35 considered a Class C felony if, under circumstances manifesting extreme
36 indifference to the value of human life, a person purposely operates the



1 vehicle or conveyance in such a manner that creates a substantial danger of
2 death or serious physical injury to another person.

3 ~~(3)~~(4) If serious physical injury to any person occurs as a
4 direct result of fleeing by means of any vehicle or conveyance, the fleeing
5 by means of any vehicle or conveyance offense is a Class B felony.

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