1 State of Arkansas As Engrossed: H2/8/01 A Bill 2 Act 1706 of 2001 83rd General Assembly HOUSE BILL 1492 3 Regular Session, 2001 4 By: Representative Hausam 5 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 27-35-110 TO PROVIDE 9 THAT MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAILERS WITH OPEN BEDS 10 11 MANUFACTURED AFTER SEPTEMBER 30, 2001 SHALL COVER THEIR LOADS OF SAND, GRAVEL, OR ROCK; AND FOR OTHER 12 13 PURPOSES. 14 **Subtitle** 15 16 TO REQUIRE MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAILERS MANUFACTURED AFTER SEPTEMBER 30, 2001 TO 17 18 COVER THEIR LOADS OF SAND, GRAVEL, OR 19 ROCK TO PREVENT SPILLAGE. 20 21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 22 23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 27-35-110 is amended to read as follows: 24 25 27-35-110. Spilling Loads on highways prohibited - Covers required for loads of sand, gravel, and rock - Exceptions. 26 27 (a) No vehicle shall be driven or moved on any highway unless the vehicle is so constructed or loaded as to prevent any of its load from 28 29 dropping, sifting, leaking, or otherwise escaping therefrom. (b) Sand may be dropped for the purpose of securing traction, or water 30 31 or other substance may be sprinkled on a roadway in cleaning or maintaining 32 the roadway. 33 (c) No For a motor vehicle or a trailer with an open bed manufactured after September 30, 2001, no sand, gravel, or rock shall be transported on the 34 paved public streets and highways of this state in a motor vehicle or trailer 35 with an open bed unless the open bed is securely covered with a material which 36

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1	will prevent the load from dropping, sifting, leaking, or otherwise escaping
2	therefrom. The cover shall be securely fastened to prevent the covering from
3	becoming loose, detached, or in any manner a hazard to other users of the
4	hi ghway.
5	(d) The covering of Loads of sand, gravel, or rock is not required if
6	For a motor vehicle or a trailer with an open bed manufactured on or before
7	September 30, 2001, a vehicle with an open bed transporting sand, gravel, or
8	rock is required to be covered as prescribed in subsection (c) of this section
9	unless six (6) inches of freeboard is maintained at the perimeter of the load
10	within the open bed of the vehicle or trailer carrying the load. Measurements
11	are to be taken at the perimeter of the vehicle's or trailer's bed and
12	measured from the top edge of the bed down to the sand, gravel, or rock being
13	transported.
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