

**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.**

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# A Bill

**Act 205 of 2001**  
HOUSE BILL 1232

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 5-26-203 TO INCREASE THE  
11 PENALTY FOR CONCEALING BIRTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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### Subtitle

13 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 5-26-203  
14 TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR CONCEALING  
15 BIRTH.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 5-26-203 is amended to read as follows:  
22 5-26-203. Concealing birth.

23 (a) A person commits the offense of concealing birth if he hides the  
24 corpse of a newborn child with purpose to conceal the fact of the child's  
25 birth or to prevent a determination of whether it was born alive.

26 (b) Concealing birth is a Class ~~A misdemeanor~~ D felony.

27 /s/ Hunt  
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30 APPROVED: 2/9/2001  
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