

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

HOUSE BILL 2082

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5 By: Representative Reynolds
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT TO REQUIRE PERSONS CONVICTED OF DRIVING
10 WHILE INTOXICATED TO ATTEND A VICTIM IMPACT
11 PANEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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14 **Subtitle**

15 TO REQUIRE PERSONS CONVICTED OF DRIVING
16 WHILE INTOXICATED TO ATTEND A VICTIM
17 IMPACT PANEL.
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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 Title 5, Chapter 65, Subchapter 1 is amended
23 to add a new section to read as follows:

24 5-65-121. Victim impact panel attendance – Fee.

25 (a)(1) A person whose driving privileges are suspended or revoked for
26 violating § 5-65-103, § 5-65-205, § 5-65-303, § 5-65-310, or § 3-3-203 shall
27 attend a victim impact panel sponsored by an organization approved by the
28 Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention of the Department of Human
29 Services.

30 (2) The organization selected by the office shall be an
31 organization that provides state-wide services to victims of drunk driving.

32 (b)(1) The organization approved by the office may collect a program
33 fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) per enrollee to offset program costs to be
34 remitted to the organization.

35 (2) The organization approved by the office shall provide proof



1 of attendance and completion to the person required to attend the victim
2 impact panel upon completion of the victim impact panel.

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4 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-65-307(d)(1)(A), concerning underage
5 driving while under the influence, is amended to read as follows:

6 (d)(1)(A) A person whose license is suspended or revoked for violating
7 § 5-65-303 or § 5-65-310 shall:

8 (i) Both:

9 (a) Furnish proof of attendance at and
10 completion of the alcohol and driving education program or alcoholism
11 treatment program required under subdivision (a)(1) of this section and at a
12 victim impact panel as provided in § 5-65-121 before reinstatement of his or
13 her suspended or revoked driver's license; and

14 (b) Pay any fee for reinstatement required
15 under § 5-65-119, ~~or § 5-65-304,~~ or § 5-65-121; or

16 (ii) Furnish proof of dismissal or acquittal of the
17 charge on which the suspension or revocation is based.

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19 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 5-65-402(h)(1)(A), concerning driving while
20 intoxicated, is amended to read as follows:

21 (h)(1)(A) A person whose license is suspended or revoked pursuant to
22 this section shall:

23 (i) Both:

24 (a) Furnish proof of attendance at and
25 completion of the alcoholism treatment program, alcohol education program, or
26 alcohol and driving education program required by § 5-65-104(b)(1) or § 5-65-
27 307(a)(1) and, if applicable, at a victim impact panel as provided in § 5-65-
28 121 before reinstatement of his or her suspended or revoked driver's license;
29 and

30 (b) Pay any fee for reinstatement required
31 under § 5-65-119, ~~or § 5-65-304,~~ or, if applicable, § 5-65-121; or

32 (ii) Furnish proof of dismissal or acquittal of the
33 charge on which the suspension or revocation is based.

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35 /s/ Reynolds

36 **APPROVED: 4/6/2009**