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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1207

TO AMEND THE DISTANCE FROM WHICH A PERSON CAN PROTEST A FUNERAL.

Amendment No. 4 to House Bill No. 1207

Amend House Bill No. 1207 as engrossed, H2/3/11 (version: 02/03/2011 09:14:21 AM)

Page 1, delete lines 19 and 20 and substitute:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-71-230(a), regarding the definition of "funeral", is amended to read as follows:

(a) As used in this section:

(1)(A) "Funeral" means a ceremony or memorial service held in connection with the burial or cremation of a person who has died in which funeral attendees have a personal stake in memorializing and honoring the dead and desire to be able to mourn in peace during the ceremony or memorial service.



The Amendment was read _____

By: Representative Stewart

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(B) "Funeral" does not include a procession related to the funeral on the roads, streets, sidewalks, or other public places that are beyond the distance limit as described in subdivision (b)(3)(A) of this section; and

(2) "Picket" means to engage in the activity of protesting or demonstrating to target a funeral."

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-71-230(b), regarding the distance from which a person may protest a funeral, is amended to read as follows:"

AND

Immediately following Section 2, add an additional section to read as follows:

"SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 5-71-230(c), regarding the penalty for violating the protection of the peace for mourning at a funeral, is amended to read as follows:

(c) If available, a law enforcement agency may provide any protester with assistance in locating a protest site that would comply with this section.

~~(c)(1)~~(d)(1) Violation of the protection of the peace for mourning at a funeral is a Class C misdemeanor.

(2) A person commits a separate offense for each funeral that the person pickets in violation of this section."