

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
90th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2015  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of House Bill No. 1228**

TO ENACT THE CONSCIENCE PROTECTION ACT AND TO PROVIDE REMEDIES AND PENALTIES FOR  
VIOLATING OR ABUSING RELIGIOUS PROTECTIONS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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**Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1228**

Amend House Bill No. 1228 as engrossed, H2/11/15 (version: 02/11/2015 09:44:19 AM):

Page 3, delete lines 21 through 33, and substitute the following:

"16-123-405. Construction and applicability.

This subchapter does not:

(1) Authorize a government entity to substantially burden a religious belief;

(2) Affect, interpret, or in any way address those portions of this subchapter, Article 2, §§ 24-26, of the Arkansas Constitution, or the First Amendment to the United States Constitution that prohibit laws respecting the establishment of religion;

(3) Prohibit a grant of government funds, benefits, or exemptions to the extent permissible under those portions of this subchapter, Article 2, §§ 24-26, of the Arkansas Constitution, or the First Amendment to the United States Constitution that prohibit laws respecting the establishment of religion; or

(4) Create a right or cause of action with respect to an employee against an employer if the employer is not a government entity."



The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and \_\_\_\_\_

By: Senator Hester

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Secretary