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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1380

CREATING A PRIVILEGE OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN A VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THE PERSONNEL OF A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER OR CENTER; AND TO MAKE CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN A VICTIM AND A VICTIM ADVOCATE.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1380

Amend House Bill No. 1380 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 27 through 30, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 9, Chapter 6, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

9-6-112. Privileged communications made by victim of domestic violence."

AND

Page 1, delete line 34, and substitute the following:

"victims of domestic violence authorized and regulated under this chapter;"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 34 through 36

AND

Page 3, delete line 1, and substitute the following:

"(11) "Shelter or center for victims of domestic violence" means a domestic violence shelter that is authorized and regulated under this chapter; and"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 6 through 18, and substitute the following:

"(b)(1) Except as provided under subsection (e) of this section, communication between a victim of domestic violence and an advocate for victims of domestic violence is privileged and shall not be disclosed by the



advocate for victims of domestic violence without the consent of the victim of domestic violence.

(2) A victim of domestic violence or an advocate for victims of domestic violence may not be compelled to disclose the contents of any communication made to the advocate for victims of domestic violence by the victim of domestic violence."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 31 through 36

AND

Page 4, delete line 1, and substitute the following:

"(e) A communication privileged under this section may be disclosed if the communication is made to another person employed by or volunteering at a shelter or center for victims of domestic violence and the disclosure is for the purposes of furthering the advocacy process."

The Amendment was read _____
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