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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2169

5 By: Representatives Mayberry, Hammer, Sanders
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT REGARDING THE COLLECTION OF THE FULL BAIL BOND
9 PREMIUM AND TO AFFIRMATIVELY CLARIFY THAT THE
10 FINANCING OF A BAIL BOND IS PROHIBITED; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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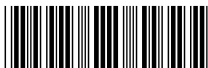
21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-19-102 is amended to read as follows:
24 17-19-102. Penalties.

25 (a)(1) Any person who is found guilty of violating any of the
26 provisions of this chapter shall upon conviction be guilty of a Class A
27 misdemeanor.

28 (2) A person who has previously pleaded guilty or nolo
29 contendere or been found guilty of violating a provision of this chapter who
30 violates this chapter a second or subsequent time shall be guilty of a Class
31 D felony upon conviction.

32 (b) Any person who falsely represents to the Professional Bail Bond
33 Company and Professional Bail Bondsman Licensing Board that any person has
34 met the education or continuing education requirements of §§ 17-19-107, § 17-
35 19-212, and § 17-19-401 et seq., shall be guilty of a Class B misdemeanor and
36 upon conviction shall be punished accordingly.



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SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-19-301(a), regarding the premium for a bail bond, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) With the exception of other provisions of this section, the premium or compensation for giving bond or depositing money or property as bail on any bond shall be ten percent (10%), except that the amount may be rounded up to the nearest five-dollar amount.

(2) The bail bond agent or the bail bond company shall collect the full ten percent (10%) before the issuance of a bond.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 17-19-301 is amended to add a new subsection to read as follows:

(f) A bail bond agent or a bail bond company shall not finance a bail bond under any circumstance.