Hall of the House of Representatives

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1236

TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF SURVIVING FAMILY MEMBERS OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHO DIES IN THE LINE OF DUTY; AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT RECORDS FROM DISCLOSURE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1236

Amend House Bill No. 1236 as originally introduced:

Page 6, delete lines 10 through 36, and substitute the following: "disseminated for any purpose not authorized under this section.

(C)(i) This section does not prohibit the use of a record described in subdivision (b)(l) of this section for law enforcement officer training conducted by an entity authorized to conduct law enforcement training, including without limitation:

- (a) The Law Enforcement Training Academy;
- (b) The Criminal Justice Institute;
- (c) The Arkansas Law Enforcement Training

Academy; or

(d) Other law enforcement officer training

programs.

(ii) However, a record used for law enforcement officer training purposes under subdivision (e)(3)(C)(i) of this section shall not be reproduced, transmitted, or disseminated for any purpose not authorized under this section; or

(4)(A) Prohibit a prosecuting attorney, deputy prosecuting attorney, defense counsel pursuant to a motion of discovery, their staff, or attorneys involved in civil litigation involving the death of a law enforcement officer from accessing or copying a record described in subdivision (b)(1) of this section.

(e)(4)(A) of this section shall not be reproduced, transmitted, or disseminated for any purpose not authorized under this section.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that it is of public interest to protect the privacy of the family members of a deceased law enforcement officer; that currently, there are no safeguards or procedures in place to ensure that a recording that depicts the death of a law enforcement officer is released in a proper, respectful, and authorized manner; and that this act

is immediately necessary because it provides a balanced procedure to achieve proper release of a video or audio recording that depicts a law enforcement officer's death while taking into account the privacy belonging to the family members of the deceased law enforcement officer. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

- (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;
- (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or
- (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."

AND

Page 7, delete lines 1 and 2.

The Amendment was read	
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