

1 **State of Arkansas**

**Call Item No. 16**

2 **79th General Assembly**

# **A Bill**

3 **Second Extraordinary Session, 1994**

**HOUSE BILL 1020**

4 **By: Representatives McGee, Purdom, Beatty and Pryor**

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## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 9-27-303 (11) TO REDEFINE  
9 THE TERM DELINQUENT JUVENILE; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND  
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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## **Subtitle**

13 "AN ACT TO REDEFINE THE TERM DELINQUENT  
14 JUVENILE."

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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18 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 9-27-303 (11) is amended to read as follows:

19 "(11) Delinquent juvenile means any juvenile ten (10) years or older  
20 who has committed an act other than a traffic offense or game and fish  
21 violation which, if such act had been committed by an adult, would subject  
22 such adult to prosecution for a felony, misdemeanor, or violation under the  
23 applicable criminal laws of this state or has violated Arkansas Code 5-73-  
24 119."

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26 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent  
27 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas  
28 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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30 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
31 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
32 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
33 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
34 act are declared to be severable.

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1 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
2 hereby repealed.

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4 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the  
5 Seventy-Ninth General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, meeting in the Second  
6 Extraordinary Session of 1994, that the current definition of "delinquent  
7 juvenile" in the Juvenile Code does not include a juvenile who possesses a  
8 handgun and, possession of a handgun being a delinquent act, it is necessary  
9 immediately to amend the definition. Therefore, in order to amend the  
10 definition of "delinquent juvenile" to include a juvenile who possesses a  
11 handgun, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being necessary  
12 for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be  
13 in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

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*/s/Rep. McGee, et al*

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