

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Second Extraordinary Session, 1994**
4 **By: *Senators Bradford, Hoofman and Holiman***

Call Item No. 16

A Bill

SENATE BILL 16

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."

Subtitle

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

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

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."

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.

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.

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2 hereby repealed.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/Bradford, et al.

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