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4 By: Senators Webb and Harriman

# A Bill

SENATE BILL

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

8                   "AN ACT TO AMEND ARK. CODE 5-13-202 TO PROVIDE THAT  
9                   CAUSING PHYSICAL INJURY TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL PERSONNEL  
10                  CONSTITUTES BATTERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE; AND FOR OTHER  
11                  PURPOSES."

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## 13                  **Subtitle**

14                  "AN ACT TO AMEND ARK. CODE 5-13-202 TO  
15                  PROVIDE THAT CAUSING PHYSICAL INJURY TO  
16                  EMERGENCY MEDICAL PERSONNEL CONSTITUTES  
17                  BATTERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE."

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

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21                  SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 5-13-202 is amended to read as follows:  
22                  "§ 5-13-202. Battery in the second degree.

23                  (a) A person commits battery in the second degree if:

24                         (1) With the purpose of causing physical injury to another  
25 person, he causes serious physical injury to any person;  
26                         (2) With the purpose of causing physical injury to another  
27 person, he causes physical injury to any person by means of a deadly weapon;  
28                         (3) He recklessly causes serious physical injury to another  
29 person by means of a deadly weapon; or

30                         (4) He intentionally or knowingly without legal justification  
31 causes physical injury to one he knows to be:

32                         (A) A law enforcement officer or fire fighter, while such  
33 officer or fire fighter is acting in the line of duty;

34                         (B) A teacher or other person employed in any school, and  
35 the teacher or other employee is upon the grounds of the school or grounds

1 adjacent thereto or is in any part of a building used for school purposes;

(C) An individual sixty (60) years of age or older or

3 twelve (12) years of age or younger;

(E) A person certified as an emergency medical technician as defined in Ark. Code 20-13-202 or any other licensed or certified health care professional while performing emergency medical services.

9               (b) Battery in the second degree is a Class D felony."

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

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15 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
16 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
17 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
18 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
19 act are declared to be severable.

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

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/s/ Webb and Harriman

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