

Language stricken has been deleted from present law. New language is underlined.

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2 81st General Assembly
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4 By: Representative Schexnayder

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1071

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO ALLOW A VICTIM OF VIOLENT CRIME OR THE VICTIM'S
9 NEXT OF KIN TO ADDRESS THE COURT AT A PRETRIAL RELEASE
10 HEARING OR HEARING TO CONSIDER A REDUCTION OR MODIFICATION
11 OF BAIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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16 ADDRESS THE COURT AT A PRETRIAL RELEASE
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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23 SECTION 1. (a) At the pretrial release hearing or a hearing to consider
24 the reduction or modification of bail for a person arrested for a violent
25 crime, the victim or the next of kin of the victim shall have the right to
26 address the court concerning the conditions of release and the amount of any
27 bond.

28 (b) The victim or the victim's next of kin shall be entitled to
29 reasonable notice prior to a hearing to consider the reduction or modification
30 of bail. If reasonably possible, the court shall give notice to the victim or
31 the victim's next of kin before any other pretrial release hearing.

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

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

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8 hereby repealed.

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