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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2159

4
5 By: Representative Booker

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 5-14-106 CARNAL ABUSE IN
10 THE THIRD DEGREE TO ELIMINATE A PROBLEM WHEREBY OFFENDERS
11 WITHIN A CERTAIN AGE RANGE CAN ESCAPE CRIMINAL LIABILITY
12 FOR CARNAL ABUSE OF A MINOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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17 ELIMINATE A PROBLEM WHEREBY OFFENDERS
18 WITHIN A CERTAIN AGE RANGE CAN ESCAPE
19 CRIMINAL LIABILITY FOR CARNAL ABUSE OF A
20 MINOR."

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

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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-14-106 is amended as follows:

25 "§ 5-14-106. Carnal abuse in the third degree.

26 (a) A person commits carnal abuse in the third degree if, being ~~twenty~~
27 ~~(20)~~ eighteen (18) years old or older, he engages in sexual intercourse or
28 deviate sexual activity with another person not his spouse who is less than
29 sixteen (16) years old.

30 (b) Carnal abuse in the third degree is a Class D felony."
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32 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
33 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
34 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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36 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to

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

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7 hereby repealed.

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