

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1060

5 By: Representatives Pappas, Lynn
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND THE PENALTIES FOR THE DESECRATION OF
10 BURIAL GROUNDS AND BURIAL FURNITURE *AND FOR DEFACING*
11 *OBJECTS OF PUBLIC RESPECT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*"

Subtitle

14 "AN ACT TO AMEND THE PENALTIES FOR THE
15 DESECRATION OF BURIAL GROUNDS AND BURIAL
16 *FURNITURE AND FOR DEFACING OBJECTS OF*
17 *PUBLIC RESPECT.*"

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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code §13-6-408(a) is amended to read as follows:

23 "(a) Anyone who intentionally or knowingly desecrates or permits
24 desecration of a burial ground and associated burial furniture is committing
25 ~~on the first offense a Class A misdemeanor and on the second or subsequent~~
26 ~~offenses,~~ a Class D felony."

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28 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 5-71-215 (b) is amended to read as follows:

29 "~~(b)(1) Defacing objects of public respect is a Class A misdemeanor if~~
30 ~~the value of repairing or replacing the damaged objects does not exceed five~~
31 ~~hundred dollars (\$500).~~

32 ~~(2) Defacing objects of public respect is a Class D felony if the value~~
33 ~~or repairing or replacing the damaged objects exceeds five hundred dollars~~
34 ~~(\$500), but does not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500).~~

35 ~~(3)(2) Defacing objects of public respect is a Class C felony if the~~
36 ~~value of repairing or replacing the damaged objects exceeds two thousand five~~

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1 *hundred dollars (\$2,500).*"

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3 SECTION 3. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature
4 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
5 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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7 SECTION 4. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to
8 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
9 other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without
10 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
11 Act are declared to be severable.

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13 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are
14 hereby repealed.

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/s/ Pappas, et al

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