

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

1 State of Arkansas
2 82nd General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 1999

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2014

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5 By: Representatives Womack, Eason, Bledsoe, Hendren, Wilkins, Morris, Bush, Duggar, Files, Magnus,
6 Scrimshire, Rackley, M. Smith, Willis

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For An Act To Be Entitled

10 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 9-12-310 TO LENGTHEN
11 THE WAITING PERIOD BEFORE RENDITION OF A DECREE OF
12 DIVORCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

"AN ACT TO LENGTHEN THE WAITING PERIOD
BEFORE RENDITION OF A DECREE OF DIVORCE."

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 9-12-310 is amended to read as follows:

22 "9-12-310. Waiting period before rendition of decree.

23 Unless the parties shall have lived separate and apart from each other
24 for a period of twelve (12) months next before the filing of complaint or
25 unless the defendant is constructively summoned by publication of warning
26 order, no decree of absolute divorce or of divorce from bed and board shall be
27 rendered in any action brought on any grounds except bigamy before ~~the~~
28 ~~thirtieth day~~ one hundred twenty (120) days following the day upon which the
29 action for divorce is commenced. This prohibition is not subject to waiver by
30 either or both parties to the action for divorce; however, the parties may
31 agree that the case may be submitted in vacation."

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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8 hereby repealed.

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