

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1504

5 By: Representatives Schall, *Rodgers, Agee, Bolin, Teague, Jackson, Rankin, Wood, Dangeau, Holt, Fite,*
6 *Mack, Dees*

7 By: *Senator Baker*
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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11 AN ACT TO MAKE THE ACT OF COMMUNICATING A FALSE ALARM
12 TO AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION A CLASS D FELONY; AND
13 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT TO MAKE THE ACT OF COMMUNICATING
16 A FALSE ALARM TO AN EDUCATIONAL
17 INSTITUTION A CLASS D FELONY.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 5-71-210 is amended to read as follows:

24 5-71-210. Communicating a false alarm.

25 (a) A person commits the offense of communicating a false alarm if ~~he~~
26 the person purposely initiates or circulates a report of a present, past, or
27 impending bombing, fire, offense, catastrophe, or other emergency knowing that
28 the report is false or baseless and knowing that it is likely:

29 (1) To cause action of any sort by an official or volunteer
30 agency organized to deal with emergencies; or

31 (2) To place any person in fear of physical injury to himself or
32 herself or another person or of damage to his or her property or that of
33 another person; or

34 (3) To cause total or partial evacuation of any occupiable
35 structure, vehicle, or vital public facility.

36 (b) (1) Communicating a false alarm is a Class D felony if:

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(A) ~~physical~~ Physical injury to a person results; or

(B) The false alarm *communicates a present or impending bombing and is made to or about a public or private educational institution.*

(2) Otherwise, ~~it~~ communicating a false alarm is a Class A misdemeanor.

/s/ Schall