

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.

1 State of Arkansas
2 85th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2005

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1499

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5 By: Representatives Medley, Adcock, Glidewell, Overbey
6 By: Senator J. Taylor

For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR
11 THE PROSECUTION OF PARKING TICKET VIOLATIONS; AND
12 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

15 AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTE OF
16 LIMITATIONS FOR THE PROSECUTION OF
17 PARKING TICKET VIOLATIONS.

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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 § 5-1-109(b), pertaining to the statute of
23 limitations for misdemeanors and violations, is amended to read as follows:

24 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, prosecutions for
25 other offenses must be commenced within the following periods of limitation
26 after their commission:

27 (1) Class Y and Class A felonies, six (6) years, except rape, §
28 5-14-103, for which the period of limitation may be extended to fifteen (15)
29 years during which extended time a prosecution for rape may be commenced if
30 based upon forensic deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) testing or other tests which
31 may become available through advances in technology;

32 (2) Class B, C, or D, or unclassified felonies, three (3) years;
33 and

34 (3)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (b)(3)(B) of this
35 section, Misdemeanors misdemeanors or violations, one (1) year; and

36 (B) Motor vehicle parking violations, three (3) years.



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SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the current statute of limitations for parking ticket violations is insufficient; that motorists are ignoring the parking laws of the municipalities in the State of Arkansas; and that this act is immediately necessary to address problems with parking safety and use and disrupted parking efficiency and control in municipal parking districts. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.