

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  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2635

5 By: Representative Harrelson  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION FOR "COUNTY WHERE  
10 THE PETITIONER RESIDES" IN THE DOMESTIC ABUSE  
11 ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

13 AN ACT TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION FOR  
14 "COUNTY WHERE THE PETITIONER RESIDES" IN  
15 THE DOMESTIC ABUSE ACT.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-15-103 is amended to read as follows:  
22 9-15-103. Definitions.

23 (a) "County where the petitioner resides" means the county in which  
24 the petitioner physically resides at the time the petition is filed and may  
25 include a county where the petitioner is located for a short-term stay in a  
26 domestic-violence shelter.

27 ~~(a)~~(b) "Domestic abuse" means:

28 (1) Physical harm, bodily injury, assault, or the infliction of  
29 fear of imminent physical harm, bodily injury, or assault between family or  
30 household members; or

31 (2) Any sexual conduct between family or household members,  
32 whether minors or adults, which constitutes a crime under the laws of this  
33 state.

34 ~~(b)~~(c) "Family or household members" means spouses, former spouses,  
35 parents and children, persons related by blood within the fourth degree of  
36 consanguinity, any children residing in the household, persons who presently



1 or in the past have resided or cohabited together, and persons who have or  
2 have had a child in common.

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