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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By: Representative Elliott

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT RELATING TO TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS.

## Subtitle

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 5, Chapter 11, Subchapter 1 is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

5-11-108. Trafficking of persons.
(a) As used in this section:
(1) "Forced labor or involuntary servitude" means a condition of servitude induced by means of:
(A) Any scheme, plan, or pattern of behavior intended to cause a person to believe that, if the person does not enter into or continue the servitude, the person or another person will suffer serious physical injury or physical restraint; or
(B) The abuse or threatened abuse of the legal process;
and
(2) "Sexual conduct" has the meaning given in § 5-27-401.
(b) A person commits the crime of trafficking of persons if the
person:
(1) Recruits, harbors, transports, provides, or obtains by any means another person knowing that force, fraud, or coercion will be used to cause the person to engage in forced labor or involuntary servitude or sexual conduct; or
(2) Benefits financially or by receiving anything of value from participation in a venture under subdivision (b)(l) of this section. (c) Trafficking of persons is a Class A felony.
/s/ Elliott

