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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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE ENHANCED PENALTIES TO PROTECT PERSONS OVER SIXTY-FIVE (65) YEARS OF AGE FROM THEFT OF PROPERTY BY FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

AN ACT TO PROVIDE ENHANCED PENALTIES TO PROTECT PERSONS OVER SIXTY-FIVE (65)
YEARS OF AGE FROM THEFT OF PROPERTY BY FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-36-103, pertaining to the offense of theft of property, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:
(d)(1)(A) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (a) of this section shall be subject to enhanced penalties if the owner of the property was over sixty-five (65) years of age and the person's family or household member.
(B) As used in this subsection (d), "family or household member" means a parent or persons related within the fourth degree of consanguinity or affinity.
(2) Upon conviction of the person, the classification and penalty range shall be increased by one (l) classification.
(3) The enhanced penalties of subdivision (d) (2) of this section shall not be imposed if the person establishes by a preponderance of the
evidence that the person has made a full and complete payment of restitution to the owner of the property.

