

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 86th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2007

A Bill

SENATE BILL 249

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5 By: Senator Madison
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO MAKE THE COMMON LAW DOCTRINE OF
10 NECESSARIES GENDER NEUTRAL BETWEEN A HUSBAND AND
11 A WIFE; TO MAKE A HUSBAND AND A WIFE EQUALLY
12 LIABLE FOR DEBTS ARISING FROM THE COMMON
13 NECESSITIES OF LIFE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 AN ACT TO MAKE THE COMMON LAW DOCTRINE
17 OF NECESSARIES GENDER NEUTRAL BETWEEN A
18 HUSBAND AND A WIFE.
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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 Title 9, Chapter 11, Subchapter 5 is amended
24 to add an additional section to read as follows:

25 9-11-516. Doctrine of necessities gender neutral.

26 If a spouse incurs a debt for the common necessities of life, including
27 without limitation, a debt for necessary medical care, each spouse is
28 personally liable for the debt.
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