

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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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1039

5 By: Representative D. Creekmore  
6 By: Senator Broadway  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO AMEND DOMESTIC BATTERING IN THE FIRST  
11 AND SECOND DEGREE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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### Subtitle

13 AN ACT TO AMEND DOMESTIC BATTERING IN  
14 THE FIRST AND SECOND DEGREE.  
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-26-303(a), concerning the offense of  
21 domestic battering in the first degree, is amended to read as follows:  
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23 (a) A person commits domestic battering in the first degree if:

24 (1) With the purpose of causing serious physical injury to a  
25 family or household member, the person causes serious physical injury to a  
26 family or household member by means of a deadly weapon;

27 (2) With the purpose of seriously and permanently disfiguring a  
28 family or household member or of destroying, amputating, or permanently  
29 disabling a member or organ of a family or household member's body, the  
30 person causes such an injury to a family or household member;

31 (3) The person causes serious physical injury to a family or  
32 household member under circumstances manifesting extreme indifference to the  
33 value of human life; ~~or~~

34 (4) The person knowingly causes serious physical injury to a  
35 family or household member he or she knows to be sixty (60) years of age or  
36 older or twelve (12) years of age or younger; or



