

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 1395

5 By: Representative J. Edwards
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE THE OFFENSE OF INTERFERENCE WITH A
10 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER COVER ANIMAL CONTROL AND
11 CODE OFFICERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

13 TO MAKE THE OFFENSE OF INTERFERENCE WITH
14 A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER COVER ANIMAL
15 CONTROL AND CODE OFFICERS.
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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 § 5-54-104 is amended to read as follows:
22 5-54-104. Interference with a law enforcement officer.

23 (a)(1) A person commits the offense of interference with a law
24 enforcement officer if he or she knowingly employs or threatens to employ
25 physical force against a law enforcement officer engaged in performing his or
26 her official duties.

27 (2) A person commits the offense of interference with a code
28 enforcement officer if he or she knowingly employs or threatens to employ
29 physical force against a code enforcement officer engaged in performing his
30 or her official duties.

31 (b)(1) Interference with a law enforcement officer or a code
32 enforcement officer is a Class C felony if:

33 (A) The person uses or threatens to use deadly physical
34 force; or

35 (B) The person is assisted by one (1) or more other
36 persons and physical injury to the law enforcement officer or code



1 enforcement officer results.

2 (2) Otherwise, interference with a law enforcement officer or a
3 code enforcement officer is a Class A misdemeanor.

4 (c)(1) As used in this section, “code enforcement officer” means an
5 individual charged with the duty of enforcing a municipal code, municipal
6 ordinance, or municipal regulation as defined by a municipal code, municipal
7 ordinance, or municipal regulation.

8 (2) “Code enforcement officer” includes a animal control
9 officer.

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