

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
6 By: *Senator Elliott*
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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

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15 TO MAKE THE OFFENSE OF INTERFERENCE WITH
16 A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER COVER ANIMAL
17 CONTROL AND CODE OFFICERS.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-54-104 is amended to read as follows:
23 5-54-104. Interference with a law enforcement officer.

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

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

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

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

36 (B) The person is assisted by one (1) or more other



1 persons and physical injury to the law enforcement officer or code
2 enforcement officer results.

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

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

9 (2) "Code enforcement officer" includes a animal control
10 officer.

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12 /s/ J. Edwards
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