

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

1 State of Arkansas *As Engrossed: H3/19/13 H3/20/13*

2 89th General Assembly

A Bill

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5 By: Representative Hillman

6 *By: Senator J. Dismang*

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT REGARDING PROTECTION OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT
10 AND IMPLEMENTS; TO REGULATE TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING
11 CERTAIN METALS ASSOCIATED WITH AGRICULTURAL
12 PRODUCTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

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SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative intent.

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*It is the intent of the General Assembly to protect the state's
agricultural producers and farmers from the destruction of their equipment
and implements due to purposeful destruction by persons stripping equipment
and implements for copper.*

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*SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 44, is amended to add
additional new sections to read as follows:*

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17-44-107. Regulation of copper sellers.
*(a)(1) Before a person may sell copper to a commercial buyer of
copper, the person is required to deliver the copper to the county sheriff of
the county or other law enforcement officer as designated by the county
sheriff in which the seller resides in order to:*



1 (A) Acquire a permit from the county sheriff to sell the
2 copper; and

3 (B) Allow the county sheriff to take a photograph of the
4 copper to be sold.

5 (2) A person who complies with the requirements of this shall be
6 issued a permit to sell the copper by the county sheriff.

7 (b) A commercial buyer of copper is required to request from the
8 seller a copy of the permit and photograph described under subsection (a) of
9 this section before agreeing to purchase the copper.

10 (c) A person who holds a heating, ventilation, and air conditioning
11 license, a plumber's license, an electrician's license, or a general
12 contractor's license is exempt from the requirements of this section.

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14 17-44-108. Transactions or acquisitions involving copper – Payment by
15 check required.

16 A commercial scrap metal dealer or recycler subject to the requirements
17 of this chapter is prohibited from purchasing or otherwise acquiring copper
18 by performing a cash transaction.

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22 /s/Hillman
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