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A Bill

SENATE BILL 874

5 By: Senator Rapert
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF NEGLIGENT HOMICIDE;
9 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

10 TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF NEGLIGENT
11 HOMICIDE.
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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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15 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-10-105 is amended to read as follows:
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17 5-10-105. Negligent homicide.

18 (a)(1) A person commits negligent homicide if he or she negligently
19 causes the death of another person, not constituting murder or manslaughter,
20 as a result of operating a vehicle, an aircraft, or a watercraft:
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22 (A) While intoxicated;

23 (B)(i) If at that time there is an alcohol concentration
24 of eight hundredths (0.08) or more in the person's breath or blood based upon
25 the definition of breath, blood, and urine concentration in § 5-65-204, as
26 determined by a chemical test of the person's blood, urine, breath, or other
27 bodily substance.
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29 (ii) The method of chemical analysis of the person's
30 blood, urine, or breath shall be made in accordance with §§ 5-65-204 and 5-
31 65-206; ~~or~~
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33 (C) While passing a stopped school bus in violation of §
34 27-51-1004~~r~~; or

35 (D) While fatigued.

36 (2) A person who violates subdivision (a)(1) of this section



1 upon conviction is guilty of a Class B felony.

2 (b)(1) A person commits negligent homicide if he or she negligently
3 causes the death of another person.

4 (2) A person who violates subdivision (b)(1) of this section
5 upon conviction is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

6 (c) As used in this section:

7 (1) "Fatigued" means:

8 (A) Having been without sleep for a period of twenty-four
9 (24) consecutive hours; or

10 (B) Having been without sleep for a period of twenty-four
11 (24) consecutive hours and in the state of being asleep; and

12 (2) ~~"intoxicated"~~ "Intoxicated" means influenced or affected by
13 the ingestion of alcohol, a controlled substance, any intoxicant, or any
14 combination of alcohol, a controlled substance, or an intoxicant to such a
15 degree that the ~~driver's~~ operator's reactions, motor skills, and judgment are
16 substantially altered and the ~~driver~~ operator therefore constitutes a clear
17 and substantial danger of physical injury or death to himself or herself ~~and~~
18 ~~other motorists or pedestrians~~ or to another person.

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/s/Rapert