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# A Bill

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH TRAFFIC STOP SAFETY GUIDELINES;  
11 TO PROMOTE TRAFFIC STOP SAFETY; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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15 TO ESTABLISH TRAFFIC STOP SAFETY  
16 GUIDELINES; AND TO PROMOTE TRAFFIC STOP  
17 SAFETY.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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23 SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative findings.

24 The General Assembly finds that:

25 (1) Every traffic stop, even for the most common traffic  
26 violation, may potentially be dangerous for the driver, passenger, or law  
27 enforcement officer;

28 (2) While law enforcement officers are thoroughly trained in  
29 traffic stop safety, drivers and passengers are often not; and

30 (3) It is necessary to establish standard traffic stop safety  
31 guidelines for drivers and passengers to help ensure the safety of drivers  
32 and passengers.  
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34 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-16-706, concerning the content of the  
35 driver's license written test, is amended to add an additional subdivision to  
36 read as follows:



1           (5) Traffic stop safety guidelines for drivers and passengers  
 2 developed by the Department of Arkansas State Police.

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 4           SECTION 3. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 18, Subchapter 1, is  
 5 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6           27-18-111. Instruction on traffic stop safety.

7           (a) The driver's instruction manual issued by the Department of  
 8 Arkansas State Police and the examination for a driver's license shall  
 9 include information related to traffic stop safety guidelines for drivers and  
 10 passengers developed by the department.

11           (b) The department may determine the most effective means to  
 12 disseminate information regarding traffic stop safety guidelines, including  
 13 without limitation posting information on the website of the department.

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 15           SECTION 4. DO NOT CODIFY. The traffic stop safety guidelines for  
 16 drivers and passengers developed by the Department of Arkansas State Police  
 17 are not required to be included in the driver's instruction manual and  
 18 driver's license written test until the next time the department revises the  
 19 driver's instruction manual and driver's license written test.