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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1633

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING WITNESS
10 INTIMIDATION, RETALIATION, TAMPERING WITH EVIDENCE,
11 JURY TAMPERING, AND BRIBERY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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17 EVIDENCE, JURY TAMPERING, AND BRIBERY.
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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 § 5-53-108(b), concerning witness bribery, is
23 amended to read as follows:

24 (b) Witness bribery is a Class ~~G~~ B felony.
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26 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-53-109(b), concerning intimidating a
27 witness, is amended to read as follows:

28 (b) Intimidating a witness is a Class ~~G~~ B felony.
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30 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 5-53-110(b), concerning tampering with
31 official proceedings or investigations, is amended to read as follows:

32 (b) Tampering is a Class ~~A-misdemeanor~~ D felony.
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34 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 5-53-111(b), concerning the penalty for the
35 offense of tampering with physical evidence, is amended to read as follows:

36 (b)~~(1)~~ Tampering with physical evidence is a Class D felony ~~if the~~



1 ~~person impairs or obstructs the prosecution or defense of a felony.~~

2 ~~(2) Otherwise, tampering with physical evidence is a Class B~~
3 ~~misdemeanor.~~

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5 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 5-53-112(b), concerning retaliation against
6 a witness, informant, or juror, is amended to read as follows:

7 (b) Retaliation against a witness, informant, or juror is a Class ~~D~~ C
8 felony.

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10 SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 5-53-114(b), concerning intimidating a
11 witness, informant, or juror, is amended to read as follows:

12 (b) Intimidating a juror, a witness, or an informant is a Class ~~G~~ B
13 felony.

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15 SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 5-53-115(b), concerning the penalty for the
16 offense of jury tampering, is amended to read as follows:

17 (b) Juror tampering is a Class ~~D~~ C felony.
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