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A Bill

SENATE BILL 314

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS MADE TO A
9 CERTIFIED PEER SUPPORT MEMBER BY AN EMERGENCY
10 RESPONDER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

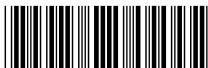
14 CONCERNING PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS MADE
15 TO A CERTIFIED PEER SUPPORT MEMBER BY AN
16 EMERGENCY RESPONDER.

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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-40-106(a)(1), concerning the definition
22 of "certified peer support member", is amended to read as follows:

23 (1) "Certified peer support member" means a law enforcement
24 officer, firefighter, or emergency medical technician of an emergency service
25 agency or entity who has received training in critical incident stress
26 management and who is certified as a peer support member by the Arkansas
27 Crisis Response Team, the Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards
28 and Training, or the Arkansas Fire Protection Licensing Board, to provide
29 emotional or moral support to an emergency responder who needs emotional or
30 moral support as a result of job-related stress or an incident in which the
31 emergency responder was involved while acting in his or her official
32 capacity; and
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34 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 16-40-106, concerning privileged
35 communications made to a certified peer support member by an emergency
36 responder, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:



1 (e) A certificate of completion of training by a certified peer
2 support member shall denote that a person has received training in critical
3 incident stress management.

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