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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1710

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIFORM ACT REGULATING TRAFFIC ON  
10 HIGHWAYS OF ARKANSAS; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING  
11 OVERTAKING A BICYCLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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17 TRAFFIC ON HIGHWAYS OF ARKANSAS; AND TO  
18 AMEND THE LAW REGARDING OVERTAKING A  
19 BICYCLE.  
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-51-311 is amended to read as follows:  
26 27-51-311. Overtaking a bicycle.

27 (a) The driver of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicycle proceeding in  
28 the same direction on a roadway shall exercise due care and pass to the left  
29 at a safe distance of not less than three feet (3') and shall not again drive  
30 to the right side of the roadway until safely clear of the overtaken bicycle.

31 (b)(1) ~~A person who violates this section~~ The driver of a motor  
32 vehicle who is convicted of a violation of this section shall be subject to a  
33 fine not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

34 (2) ~~A person who violates this section with the violation~~  
35 ~~resulting in a collision causing death or~~ Except as provided in subdivision  
36 (b)(3) of this section, if the driver of a motor vehicle violates this



1 section and the violation of this section results in a collision causing  
2 serious physical injury to the person operating the overtaken bicycle, ~~shall~~  
3 ~~be subject to a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in addition~~  
4 ~~to any other penalties prescribed by law~~ the driver of the motor vehicle upon  
5 conviction is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

6 (3) The driver of a motor vehicle who purposely violates this  
7 section causing serious physical injury to the person operating the overtaken  
8 bicycle shall upon conviction be guilty of a Class D felony.

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