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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1501

5 By: Representative Gazaway
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING WHEN A
9 PROSECUTION IS COMMENCED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

11 TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING WHEN A
12 PROSECUTION IS COMMENCED.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-1-109(f), concerning when a prosecution
20 is commenced, is amended to read as follows:

21 (f) A prosecution is commenced ~~when an arrest warrant is issued by a~~
22 ~~judge based on probable cause or an indictment, information, or other~~
23 ~~charging instrument if the arrest warrant or other process is sought to be~~
24 ~~executed without unreasonable delay;~~

25 (1) When a person is arrested or issued a citation by a law
26 enforcement officer based upon probable cause;

27 (2) When an arrest warrant is issued by a judge, provided that
28 the arrest warrant is sought to be executed without unreasonable delay; or

29 (3) Upon the filing of an indictment, information, or other
30 charging instrument.
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