

State of Arkansas

As Engrossed: H4/2/25

95th General Assembly

A Bill

Regular Session, 2025

HOUSE BILL 1780

By: Representative Gazaway

By: Senator Gilmore

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RETENTION OF
PROPERTY RELATED TO A FELONY INVESTIGATION; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE
RETENTION OF PROPERTY RELATED TO A
FELONY INVESTIGATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 13-4-409(a), concerning items in possession
of a sheriff's office pursuant to a criminal investigation or court case, is
amended to read as follows:

(a) If an item is in the possession of a county sheriff's office
pursuant to a felony criminal investigation, it shall be retained until the
applicable statute of limitation for the most serious possible crime to which
it could be connected has lapsed unless the item is:

(1) Released by an order of the court; or

(2) Released by the prosecuting attorney because there will be
no prosecution pursuant to the felony criminal investigation.

/s/Gazaway

