

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1879

By: Representative Hammer

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO PERMIT PRIVATE BUSINESSES, RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS, AND INDIVIDUALS AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM MARRIAGES TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHT OF CHOICE WHEN PROVIDING WEDDING SERVICES AND SUPPLIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO PERMIT PRIVATE BUSINESSES, RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS, AND INDIVIDUALS AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM MARRIAGES TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHT OF CHOICE WHEN PROVIDING WEDDING SERVICES AND SUPPLIES.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 9, Chapter 11, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

9-11-110. Freedom of choice.

When a marriage violates the religious beliefs of a private business, a person authorized to solemnize marriages, or a religious institution, the person, business, or institution may choose to not provide services to the couple.

