

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

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 1000

By: Senator K. Ingram

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REDUCE THE THEFT OF MOBILE DEVICES; TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF VICTIMS OF THEFTS OF MOBILE DEVICES; TO REQUIRE ANTITHEFT FUNCTIONALITY ON MOBILE DEVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO REDUCE THE THEFT OF MOBILE DEVICES; TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF VICTIMS OF THEFTS OF MOBILE DEVICES; AND TO REQUIRE ANTITHEFT FUNCTIONALITY ON MOBILE DEVICES.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 4, is amended to add an additional chapter to read as follows:

Chapter 118

Wireless Communications Devices

Subchapter 1 – General Provisions

4-118-101. Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

(1)(A) "Smart phone" means a cellular phone or other mobile device that:

- (i) Is built on a smart phone mobile operating system;
- (ii) Possesses advanced computing capability;



(iii) Enables network connectivity; and
(iv) Is capable of operating on a long-term evolution network and successor wireless data network communication standards.

(B) "Smart phone" does not include:

(i) A feature or messaging phone;
(ii) A laptop computer;
(iii) A tablet device; or
(iv) A device that has only electronic reading capability.

4-118-102. Antitheft functionality required.

(a) A smart phone manufactured on or after January 1, 2016, that is sold or purchased in this state shall be:

(1) Equipped with a preloaded antitheft functionality application; or

(2) Capable of downloading antitheft functionality application.

(b) The antitheft functionality application shall be available to purchasers at no cost.

(c) A knowing violation of this section is a Class A misdemeanor.