

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

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1710

By: Representative McCullough
By: Senator Irvin

For An Act To Be Entitled

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

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE UNIFORM ACT REGULATING
TRAFFIC ON HIGHWAYS OF ARKANSAS; AND TO
AMEND THE LAW REGARDING OVERTAKING A
BICYCLE.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-51-311 is amended to read as follows:
27-51-311. Overtaking a bicycle.

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

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

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



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

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