

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

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1885

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PAROLE ELIGIBILITY OF A PERSON  
CONVICTED OF AN OFFENSE THAT INVOLVED A MOVING  
VIOLATION IN A HIGHWAY WORK ZONE; AND FOR OTHER  
PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

CONCERNING THE PAROLE ELIGIBILITY OF A  
PERSON CONVICTED OF AN OFFENSE THAT  
INVOLVED A MOVING VIOLATION IN A HIGHWAY  
WORK ZONE.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-93-612, concerning the date when a felony offense was committed and which parole eligibility statutes apply, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(g) For an offender serving a sentence for a felony in which the offender's acts or omissions while operating a motor vehicle resulted in serious physical injury or death to a highway construction worker who was present in a highway construction zone and acting in the course of his or her employment that occurred on or after the effective date of this act, § 16-93-623 governs that person's parole eligibility procedures.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 16, Chapter 93, Subchapter 6, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

16-93-623. Parole eligibility procedures – Offenses in highway work zone resulting in death of person.



A person sentenced for a felony in which the person was operating a motor vehicle and his or her acts or omissions while operating the motor vehicle resulted in serious physical injury or death to a highway construction worker who was present in a highway construction zone and acting in the course of his or her employment that occurred on or after the effective date of this act is eligible for parole only after having served one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of his or her sentence.