

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

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A Bill

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By: Representative Lowery

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING HAZING AT AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION; TO PROHIBIT FACULTY MEMBERS AND STAFF MEMBERS OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FROM KNOWINGLY ENGAGING IN OR ENCOURAGING HAZING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO PROHIBIT FACULTY MEMBERS AND STAFF MEMBERS OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FROM KNOWINGLY ENGAGING IN OR ENCOURAGING HAZING.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-5-201(a), concerning the definition of "hazing", is amended to read as follows:

(a) As used in this subchapter, "hazing" means:

(1) A willful act on or off the property of any school, college, university, or other educational institution in Arkansas by one (1) student, faculty or staff member, alumnus, or volunteer or employee of a fraternal organization if the volunteer or employee is acting on behalf of, or in the name of, the fraternal organization, acting alone, or acting with others when the conduct is directed against any other student and done for the purpose of intimidating the student attacked by threatening him or her with social or other ostracism or of submitting such student to ignominy, shame, or disgrace among his or her fellow students, and acts calculated to produce such results;



(2) The playing of abusive or truculent tricks on or off the property of any school, college, university, or other educational institution in Arkansas by one (1) student, faculty or staff member, alumnus, or volunteer or employee of a fraternal organization if the volunteer or employee is acting on behalf of, or in the name of, the fraternal organization, acting alone, or acting with others, upon another student to frighten or scare him or her;

(3) A willful act on or off the property of any school, college, university, or other educational institution in Arkansas by one (1) student, faculty or staff member, alumnus, or volunteer or employee of a fraternal organization if the volunteer or employee is acting on behalf of, or in the name of, the fraternal organization, acting alone, or acting with others which is directed against any other student done for the purpose of humbling the pride, stifling the ambition, or impairing the courage of the student attacked or to discourage him or her from remaining in that school, college, university, or other educational institution, or reasonably to cause him or her to leave the institution rather than submit to such acts; or

(4) A willful act on or off the property of any school, college, university, or other educational institution in Arkansas by one (1) student, faculty or staff member, alumnus, or volunteer or employee of a fraternal organization if the volunteer or employee is acting on behalf of, or in the name of, the fraternal organization, acting alone, or acting with others in striking, beating, bruising, or maiming; or seriously offering, threatening, or attempting to strike, beat, bruise, or maim; or to do or seriously offer, threaten, or attempt to do physical violence to any student of any such educational institution; or any assault upon any such student made for the purpose of committing any of the acts, or producing any of the results, to such student as defined in this section.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-5-202(a), concerning prohibitions against hazing, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A student, faculty or staff member, alumnus, or volunteer or employee of a fraternal organization of a school, college, university, or other educational institution in Arkansas shall not knowingly engage in hazing or encourage, aid, or assist any other student, faculty or staff member, alumnus, or volunteer or employee of a fraternal organization in

hazing.