

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

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1805

By: Representatives Nicks, Beaty Jr., Ray
By: Senators Caldwell, Gilmore, B. Johnson

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO
STORM SHELTERS FOR ESSENTIAL FACILITIES UNDER THE
ARKANSAS FIRE PREVENTION CODE; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS
RELATED TO STORM SHELTERS FOR ESSENTIAL
FACILITIES UNDER THE ARKANSAS FIRE
PREVENTION CODE.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 12, Chapter 13, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

12-13-120. Arkansas Fire Prevention Code – Storm shelters – Essential facilities.

(a) Before January 1, 2025, the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code shall not require the following essential facilities to have a storm shelter:

- (1) A 911 call station;
- (2) An emergency operations center;
- (3) A fire, rescue, or ambulance station; and
- (4) A police department.

(b) After January 1, 2025, the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code may establish storm shelter requirements for the essential facilities listed in subsection (a) of this section.

