

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

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1430

By: Representatives K. Moore, McCullough, Hudson

By: Senator Irvin

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS UNDER THE DOMESTIC
ABUSE ACT OF 1991; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS UNDER THE
DOMESTIC ABUSE ACT OF 1991.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-15-219(a)(1)(A), concerning the definition of "course of control" under the Domestic Abuse Act of 1991, is amended to read as follows:

(A) "Course of control" means a pattern of behavior between family or household members that in purpose or effect unreasonably interferes with the free will and personal liberty of a person.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 9-15-219(a)(2)(B), concerning the definition of "disturbing the peace" under the Domestic Abuse Act of 1991, is amended to read as follows:

(B) "Disturbing the peace" includes without limitation:

- (i) Exhibiting course of control;
- (ii) Stalking;
- (iii) Repeatedly threatening;
- (iv) Criminal impersonation;
- (v) Verbally or electronically harassing or telephoning with the intent to harass;



- (vi) Harassing through surveillance;
- (vii) Destroying personal property; and
- (viii) Criminal trespass.