1	State of Arkansas As Engrossed: H2/12/25 H2/18/25
2	95th General Assembly A Bill
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5	By: Representatives K. Moore, McCullough, Hudson
6	By: Senator Irvin
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled
9	AN ACT TO REQUIRE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHO IS
10	EXECUTING OR SERVING AN ORDER OF PROTECTION TO SERVE
11	ANY OUTSTANDING CRIMINAL WARRANTS RELATED TO DOMESTIC
12	VIOLENCE OR OFFENSES IN WHICH THE PETITIONER FOR THE
13	ORDER OF PROTECTION IS THE VICTIM OF THE OFFENSE
14	SPECIFIED IN THE WARRANT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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17	Subtitle
18	TO REQUIRE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHO
19	IS EXECUTING OR SERVING AN ORDER OF
20	PROTECTION TO SERVE ANY OUTSTANDING
21	CRIMINAL WARRANTS RELATED TO DOMESTIC
22	VIOLENCE OR OFFENSES INVOLVING THE
23	PETITIONER AS THE VICTIM.
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25	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 9-15-208 is amended to read as follows:
28	9-15-208. Law enforcement assistance.
29	(a) When an order of protection is issued under this chapter, upon
30	request of the petitioner the circuit court may order a law enforcement
31	officer with jurisdiction to accompany the petitioner and assist in placing
32	the petitioner in possession of the dwelling or residence or to otherwise
33	assist in execution or service of the order of protection.
34	(b) The court may also order a law enforcement officer to assist the
35	petitioner in returning to the residence and getting personal effects.
36	(c) If law enforcement is assisting in the execution or service of an

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1	order of protection under § 9-15-202 or § 9-15-204, law enforcement shall,
2	upon service of the notice of the petition, ex parte temporary order of
3	protection, or notice of hearing, serve any outstanding misdemeanor or felony
4	criminal warrant.
5	(d)(1) If a respondent appears at a hearing under § 9-15-204 and the
6	court is aware that there is a pending active criminal warrant for the
7	respondent that has not been served, the court shall notify law enforcement
8	to respond to the courtroom.
9	(2) If law enforcement is responding to a courtroom under
10	subdivision (d)(1) of this section, the responding law enforcement shall
11	serve, detain, and transport the respondent to the local detention facility.
12	(e)(1) If the active warrant is a warrant outside of the current
13	jurisdiction, the arresting agency shall:
14	(A) Contact the jurisdiction that issued the warrant;
15	<u>and</u>
16	(B) Confirm whether the jurisdiction will extradite the
17	respondent to the jurisdiction's detention facility.
18	(2) If the arresting agency confirms that the appropriate
19	jurisdiction will extradite the respondent to the jurisdiction's detention
20	facility under subdivision (e)(1)(B) of this section, the arresting agency
21	shall hold the individual at the local detention facility to allow the
22	issuing jurisdiction to transport the individual to the jurisdiction that
23	issued the warrant.
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25	/s/Moore
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