

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

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1 State of Arkansas As Engrossed: S1/29/25 S2/13/25

2 95th General Assembly

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3 Regular Session, 2025

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5 By: Senator F. Love

6 By: Representative T. Shephard

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO CREATE LUX'S LAW; TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF A
10 DEAD HUMAN BODY THAT IS INTENDED TO BE CREMATED OR
11 BURIED; TO ESTABLISH PENALTIES FOR THE SALE OF A DEAD
12 HUMAN BODY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

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24 SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Title. This act shall be known and may be
25 cited as "Lux's Law".

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27 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-60-101(a), concerning abuse of a corpse,
28 is amended to read as follows:

29 (a) A person commits abuse of a corpse if, except as authorized by
30 law, he or she knowingly:

31 (1) Disinters, removes, dissects, or mutilates a corpse; ~~or~~

32 (2) Sells a corpse, or any part of a corpse, after the corpse
33 has been authorized for final disposition through cremation or burial; or

34 ~~(2)(A)(3)(A)~~ Physically mistreats or conceals a corpse in a
35 manner offensive to a person of reasonable sensibilities.

36 (B) A person who conceals a corpse in a manner offensive



1 to a person of reasonable sensibilities that results in the corpse remaining
2 concealed is continuing in a course of conduct under § 5-1-109(e)(1)(B).

3 (C)(i) As used in this section, “in a manner offensive to
4 a person of reasonable sensibilities” means in a manner that is outside the
5 normal practices of handling or disposing of a corpse.

6 (ii) “In a manner offensive to a person of reasonable
7 sensibilities” includes without limitation the dismembering, submerging, or
8 burning of a corpse.

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/s/F. Love

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