

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

ACT 1238 OF 1997
HOUSE BILL 1634

5 By: Representatives Angel, Kidd, Johnson, Rodgers, Teague, Wilkinson, and Ferrell
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 5-53-112 RELATING TO THE
10 PENALTY FOR RETALIATION AGAINST WITNESSES, INFORMANTS, AND
11 JURORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."
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Subtitle

14 "PENALTY FOR RETALIATION AGAINST
15 WITNESSES, INFORMANTS, AND JURORS."
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 5-53-112 is amended to read as follows:

20 "5-53-112. Retaliation against witnesses, informants, or jurors.

21 (a) A person commits the offense of retaliation against a
22 witness, informant, or juror if he harms or threatens to harm another by
23 any unlawful act in retaliation for anything lawfully done in the
24 capacity of witness, informant, or juror.

25 (b) ~~Retaliation against witnesses, informants, or jurors is a~~
26 ~~Class A misdemeanor~~ an informant who is recognized as such by the county
27 sheriff, the chief of police of a first or second class city, an officer
28 of the State Police, or any of their respective designees, is a Class D
29 felony.

30 (c) Retaliation against any juror or witness or retaliation
31 against an informant not recognized as such by law enforcement is a
32 Class A misdemeanor."
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34 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent
35 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the
36 Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the

1 Code.

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3 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application
4 thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity
5 shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can
6 be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to
7 this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

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9 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act
10 are hereby repealed.

11 /s/Rep. Angel, et al

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