

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

**Act 155 of the Regular Session**

1 State of Arkansas  
2 87th General Assembly  
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*As Engrossed: H2/4/09*

**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1261

5 By: Representatives Breedlove, Pennartz, Abernathy, Adcock, Allen, T. Baker, Blount, T. Bradford, J.  
6 Brown, Carnine, Carroll, Carter, Cash, Cheatham, Clemmer, Cole, Cooper, L. Cowling, D. Creekmore,  
7 Dale, Davenport, Dunn, Everett, Gaskill, R. Green, Hall, Hawkins, Hobbs, Hopper, Hoyt, D. Hutchinson,  
8 Hyde, Ingram, Kidd, King, Lea, Lindsey, Lovell, Lowery, M. Martin, McCrary, Moore, Nickels,  
9 Overbey, Patterson, Pierce, Powers, Ragland, Rainey, Reep, Reynolds, Rice, J. Rogers, T. Rogers,  
10 Shelby, Slinkard, G. Smith, L. Smith, Stewart, Summers, Wagner, B. Wilkins, Wills, Woods, Word,  
11 *J. Roebuck*  
12 By: Senators Whitaker, Horn, T. Smith, Capps, B. Pritchard, Bledsoe, G. Baker, Hendren  
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**For An Act To Be Entitled**

15 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 12-8-214 TO ALLOW  
16 THE SPOUSE OF AN ARKANSAS STATE POLICE OFFICER TO  
17 PURCHASE THE OFFICER'S SERVICE SHOTGUN; AND FOR  
18 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

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21 TO ALLOW THE SPOUSE OF AN ARKANSAS STATE  
22 POLICE OFFICER TO PURCHASE THE OFFICER'S  
23 SERVICE SHOTGUN.  
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27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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29 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-8-214 is amended to read as follows:  
30 12-8-214. Award of pistol and purchase of shotgun upon retirement.

31 (a) When a Department of Arkansas State Police officer retires from  
32 service or dies while still employed with the department, in recognition of  
33 and appreciation for the service of the retiring or deceased officer, the  
34 Arkansas State Police Commission may award the pistol carried by the officer  
35 at the time of his or her death or retirement from service to:



- 1 (1) The officer; or
- 2 (2) The officer's spouse, if the spouse is eligible under
- 3 applicable state and federal laws to possess a firearm.

4 ~~(b) When an officer retires from service, the officer may purchase the~~  
 5 ~~shotgun he or she used while on duty at the fair market value as determined~~  
 6 ~~by the commission. When a department officer retires from service or dies~~  
 7 ~~while still employed with the department, in recognition of and appreciation~~  
 8 ~~for the service of the retiring or deceased officer, the commission may allow~~  
 9 ~~the purchase of the shotgun used by the officer while on duty at the time of~~  
 10 ~~his or her death or retirement from service at fair market value as~~  
 11 ~~determined by the commission by:~~

- 12 (1) The officer; or
- 13 (2) The officer's spouse, if the spouse is eligible under
- 14 applicable state and federal laws to possess a firearm.

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16 SECTION 2. Applicability - Do not codify. The act applies  
 17 retroactively to a Department of Arkansas State Police officer who retired  
 18 from service or died while employed by the department on or after January 1,  
 19 2008, but before the effective date of this act.

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21 */s/ Breedlove*

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23 **APPROVED: 2/16/2009**