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2 94th General Assembly
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1696

5 By: Representative Vaught
6 By: Senator J. Boyd
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ANIMALS; TO
10 ESTABLISH LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES FROM A DOG BITE; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 DOG BITE.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 19, Subchapter 1, is
23 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

24 20-19-105. Owner liability for damages from dog bite.

25 The owner or owners of a dog shall be liable for the full amount of any
26 damages sustained when the dog, without provocation, bites or injures a
27 person while the person is in or on a place where the person has a lawful
28 right to be.
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