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A Bill

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For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO DEFINE "LOADED FIREARM" FOR THE PURPOSE OF
11 THE STATUTE CONCERNING POSSESSION AND USE OF A
12 WEAPON; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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Subtitle

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17 PURPOSE OF THE STATUTE CONCERNING
18 POSSESSION AND USE OF A WEAPON.

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

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SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-73-101, concerning the definitions for
24 the possession and use of weapons subchapter, is amended to add an additional
25 subdivision to read as follows:

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(14) "Loaded firearm" means a firearm that is assembled and
27 contains an unexpended cartridge, shell, or projectile in the firing
28 position, including without limitation:

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(A) For a pistol or revolver, when an unexpended
30 cartridge, shell, or projectile is in a position in which the unexpended
31 cartridge, shell, or projectile could be fired by one (1) manual operation of
32 any mechanism; and

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(B) For a muzzle-loading firearm, when the muzzle-loading
34 firearm is charged with a propellant and a projectile and is capped or
35 primed.

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