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A Bill

SENATE BILL 405

5 By: Senators K. Hammer, Irvin
6 By: Representative Dalby
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE OFFENSE OF
10 POSSESSION OF A HANDGUN BY A MINOR; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO AMEND THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE
16 OFFENSE OF POSSESSION OF A HANDGUN BY A
17 MINOR.
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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 § 5-73-119(a), concerning the offense of
23 possession of a handgun by a minor, is amended to read as follows:

24 (a)(1) No person in this state under eighteen (18) years of age shall
25 possess a handgun.

26 (2)~~(A)~~ A violation of subdivision (a)(1) of this section is a
27 ~~Class A misdemeanor~~ Class D felony.

28 ~~(B) A violation of subdivision (a)(1) of this section is a~~
29 ~~Class D felony if the person has previously:~~

30 ~~(i) Been adjudicated delinquent for a violation of~~
31 ~~subdivision (a)(1) of this section;~~

32 ~~(ii) Been adjudicated delinquent for any offense that~~
33 ~~would be a felony if committed by an adult; or~~

34 ~~(iii) Pled guilty or nolo contendere to or been~~
35 ~~found guilty of a felony in circuit court while under eighteen (18) years of~~
36 ~~age.~~

