

## **Arkansas Public Library Laws**

### **Title 13. Libraries, Archives, and Cultural Resources**

#### Chapter 2. Libraries.

#### Subchapter 1. General Provisions, §§ 13-2-101 to 13-2-104

#### **13-2-101. Failure to return books or pay replacement costs.**

(a)(1) It is unlawful for any person who checks out or otherwise removes any books or other materials from any library owned by the state or any city, county, or other political subdivision of the state to fail or refuse to return those books or materials to the library or to pay the replacement costs of lost books and library materials within the time prescribed by the library rules.

(2) However, before a charge of violating the provisions of this section shall be filed against any person, the library shall send written notice, by ordinary mail, addressed to the last known address of the person who checked out or otherwise removed the books or materials from the library, notifying the person that if the books or materials are not returned to the library within thirty (30) days from the date of the notice, charges will be filed against the person under the provisions of this section and upon conviction the person may be fined in an amount as provided in this section.

(b)(1) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a violation and subject to a fine of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100).

(2) Each violation of this section shall constitute a separate offense.

**History.** Acts 1987, No. 555, §§ 1, 2;  
2005, No. 1994, § 80.

**A.C.R.C. Notes.** This section may be impliedly repealed by Acts 1995, No. 906, which is codified as § 13-2-801 et seq.

**Amendments.** The 2005 amendment inserted