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Attorney General Griffin Certifies Act 934 of 2025, Expanding the Law on Intoxicating Hemp-Derived Products

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LITTLE ROCK – Attorney General Tim Griffin issued the following statement after certifying Act 934 of 2025, which updated a 2023 law outlawing the sale and distribution of intoxicating hemp-derived products such as Delta-8, Delta-9, and THC-O:

“Today, I have certified Act 934 of 2025, which updates and expands a 2023 law that banned the sale and distribution of intoxicating hemp-derived products.

“In March 2023 I issued a consumer alert about Delta THC products because these products ended up in the hands of children, often with serious adverse health effects. The products were often packaged as gummies and drinks and clearly marketed toward children. They were sold online and in convenience stores and gas stations with no age requirements to purchase.

“About a month later, I partnered with Senator Tyler Dees and Representative Jimmy Gazaway who co-sponsored a bill in the 2023 legislative session to combat these synthetic hemp-derived products. That legislative effort was a huge success, passing both the House and the Senate with a super majority.

“An industry coalition filed a lawsuit challenging the ban and was granted an injunction that prevented the new law from being enforced. I immediately appealed the ruling.

“I again worked with Senator Dees and Representative Gazaway in the 2025 legislative session to update the 2023 law. Representative Jon Eubanks, Chairman of the House Rules Committee, was instrumental in helping get the bill passed, and I commend his commitment to protecting Arkansans from these dangerous products.

“Last summer, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit reversed the injunction on the 2023 law, allowing the state to implement its ban on these harmful products.

“The Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration got these products off the shelf. In less than three months after the 2025 legal victory, DFA seized more than 6,000 illegal hemp products in Arkansas. DFA enforcement agents made more than 2,800 in-person visits around the state in less than a month.

“There were a few lingering issues to wrap up in the underlying lawsuit, and several weeks ago we got a final judgment in our favor, winning on a motion for judgment on the pleadings.

“It has been a long road to get to this point, but I am proud of my team for successfully defending the 2023 law, and I am happy to finally certify this Act.”

State Senator Dees provided the following statement:

“Protecting our children is one of the most important responsibilities of government, and that’s why I co-sponsored this law. Dangerous, unregulated products were consistently ending up in the hands of minors, but with this law, we have solved that problem. The profits of those who peddle these products no longer take priority over our kids.”

State Representative Gazaway provided the following statement:

“Today’s certification conclusively ends the practice of selling illegal and intoxicating hemp-derived products in Arkansas. These products were essentially recreational, synthetic marijuana and were sold to Arkansans at gas stations and convenience stores with no age requirements and were deceptively labeled as safe and legal. I am proud to have co-sponsored Act 934 to provide oversight and to protect Arkansas consumers from these dangerous products.”

State Representative Eubanks provided the following statement:

“As Chairman of the House Rules Committee, I was proud to lend my support to this bill. This was a clear problem with a clear solution, and I am pleased that these products no longer pose a threat to the safety of kids in Arkansas.”

To read the certification of Act 934 of 2025, [click here](#).

About Attorney General Tim Griffin

Tim Griffin was sworn in as the 57th Attorney General of Arkansas on January 10, 2023, having previously served as the state’s 20th Lieutenant Governor from 2015-2023. From 2011-2015, Griffin served as the 24th representative of Arkansas’s Second Congressional District, where he served on the House Committee on Ways and Means, House Armed Services Committee, House Committee on Foreign Affairs, House Committee on Ethics and House Committee on the Judiciary while also serving as a Deputy Whip for the Majority.

Griffin is currently an officer in the Arkansas Army National Guard and holds the rank of colonel. Griffin served as an officer in the U.S. Army Reserve Judge Advocate General’s (JAG) Corps for more than 28 years. In 2005, Griffin was mobilized to active duty as an Army prosecutor at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, and served with the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) in Mosul, Iraq.

His previous assignments include serving as the Commander of the 2d Legal Operations Detachment in New Orleans, Louisiana; the Commander of the 134th Legal Operations Detachment at Fort Bragg, North Carolina; and as a Senior Legislative Advisor to the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness at the Pentagon. Griffin earned a master’s degree in strategic studies as a Distinguished Honor Graduate from the U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania.

Griffin also served as U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Arkansas, and Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of Political Affairs for President George W. Bush; Special Assistant to Assistant Attorney General Michael Chertoff, Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice; Special Assistant U.S. Attorney, U.S. Attorney’s Office, Eastern District of Arkansas; Senior Investigative Counsel, Government Reform and Oversight Committee, U.S. House of Representatives; and Associate Independent Counsel, Office of Independent Counsel David M. Barrett, In re: HUD Secretary Henry Cisneros.

Griffin is a graduate of Magnolia High School, Hendrix College in Conway, and Tulane Law School in New Orleans. He attended graduate school at Oxford University. He is admitted to

practice law in Arkansas (active) and Louisiana (inactive). Griffin lives in Little Rock with his wife, Elizabeth, a Camden native, and their three children.

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