

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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## A Bill

ACT 1343 OF 1997  
HOUSE BILL 1757

5 By: Representatives Jeffress, McGinnis, French, Allison, Baker, Horn, Madison, Cook, Wilkins, McKissack, and Broadway  
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### For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE  
10 PLANNING *TIME* DURING THE SCHOOL *WEEK* FOR ALL CLASSROOM  
11 TEACHERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

### Subtitle

13 "TO REQUIRE SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE  
14 PLANNING *TIME* DURING THE SCHOOL *WEEK* FOR  
15 ALL CLASSROOM TEACHERS."  
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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20 SECTION 1. Title 6, Chapter 17, Subchapter 1 of the Arkansas Code  
21 Annotated is amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

22 "6-17-114. Daily planning period.

23 (a)(1) Effective beginning the 1998-99 school year, each school  
24 district in this state shall provide a minimum of two hundred (200) minutes  
25 each week of scheduled time for conferences, instructional planning, and  
26 preparation for all classroom teachers employed by the district; provided,  
27 however, that such planning time shall be in increments of no less than twenty  
28 (20) minutes.

29 (2) Effective beginning the 1999-2000 school year, such planning  
30 time shall be in increments of no less than thirty (30) minutes.

31 (b) No school district shall provide planning time as required by this  
32 section by lengthening the school day unless the district compensates teachers  
33 for the additional time, at an hourly per diem rate.

34 (c) Each school district shall implement the requirements of this  
35 section in accordance with §§ 6-17-201 et seq."  
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1 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
2 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
3 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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5 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
6 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
7 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
8 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
9 act are declared to be severable.

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11 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
12 hereby repealed.

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*/s/Rep. Jeffress et al*

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APPROVED: BECAME LAW WITHOUT GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE.

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