

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 84th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2003  
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# A Bill

Act 682 of 2003  
HOUSE BILL 2756

5 By: Representative Walters  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO CREATE "CELEBRATE FREEDOM WEEK" IN  
9 PUBLIC SCHOOLS ON THE LAST FULL WEEK OF CLASSES  
10 IN SEPTEMBER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

12 AN ACT TO CREATE "CELEBRATE FREEDOM  
13 WEEK" IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS ON THE LAST FULL  
14 WEEK OF CLASSES IN SEPTEMBER.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. (a) To educate students about the sacrifices made for  
22 freedom in the founding of this country and the values on which this country  
23 was founded, the last full week of classes in September in Arkansas public  
24 schools shall be recognized as "Celebrate Freedom Week."

25 (b)(1) During "Celebrate Freedom Week" all social studies classes  
26 shall include instruction on as determined by each school in each social  
27 studies class.

28 (2) It is recommended that the instructions include the  
29 discussion about the meaning and importance of the Declaration of  
30 Independence and the United States Constitution, with an emphasis on the  
31 Preamble and the Bill of Rights, in the document's historical context.

32 (3) It is suggested that a study of the Declaration of  
33 Independence include exercises related to the relationship of the ideas  
34 expressed in that document to subsequent American history, including the  
35 relationship between ideas contained in the document and the rich diversity  
36 of our people as a nation of immigrants, the American revolution, the



1 formulation of the United States Constitution, the abolitionist movement and  
2 how it led to the adoption of the Emancipation Proclamation, and the women's  
3 suffrage movement.

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