

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.

Act 1183 of the Regular Session

1 State of Arkansas  
2 85th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2005  
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As Engrossed: H3/7/05

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1395

5 By: Representative Burris  
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT BY  
10 ALLOWING CREDIT FOR TEACHERS TAKING COLLEGE  
11 COURSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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13 **Subtitle**

14 AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE PROFESSIONAL  
15 DEVELOPMENT BY ALLOWING CREDIT FOR  
16 TEACHERS TAKING COLLEGE COURSES.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-15-1004(c)(2)(A), concerning professional  
22 development credit for teachers, is amended to read as follows:

23 (2)(A) For purposes of the requirement for continuing education  
24 and professional development under this section, a three-hour graduate-level  
25 college credit course shall be counted as ~~twelve (12) hours~~ fifteen (15)  
26 hours of the professional development hours required for teachers under the  
27 Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools if the college credit  
28 is ~~related~~;

29 (i) Related to and enhances the teacher's knowledge  
30 of the subject area in which the teacher is currently teaching ~~or is part~~;

31 (ii) Part of the requirements for the teacher to  
32 obtain additional certification in a subject matter that has been designated  
33 by the Department of Education as having a critical shortage of teacher; or

34 (iii) Otherwise approved by the Department of  
35 Education as a graduate level course eligible for professional development



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*/s/ Burris*

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