

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
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4 **By: Senator Chaffin**

# A Bill

**SENATE BILL 53**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT BEGINNING WITH THE 1996-97 SCHOOL  
9 YEAR A STUDENT WHO HAS COMPLETED COMMUNITY SERVICE  
10 APPROVED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE LOCAL  
11 SCHOOL BOARD SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO *RECEIVE ONE ACADEMIC*  
12 *CREDIT THAT MAY BE APPLIED TOWARD GRADUATION*; AND FOR  
13 OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

16 "TO REQUIRE BY THE 1996-97 SCHOOL YEAR THE IMPLEMENTATION  
17 OF A COMMUNITY SERVICE *PROGRAM FOR SECONDARY STUDENTS*."

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

21 SECTION 1. (a) Beginning with the 1996-97 school year, a student who  
22 has completed a minimum of seventy five (75) clock hours of documented  
23 community service in grades nine (9) through twelve (12), *as certified by the*  
24 *service agency or organization to the school*, shall be eligible to receive one  
25 *(1) academic credit that may be applied toward graduation*.

26 (b) The community service shall be in programs or activities approved  
27 by the State Board of Education and the local school board and shall include  
28 preparation, action, and reflection components.

29 (c) A local school board may grant a waiver of this requirement with  
30 notice to the State Board of Education.

31 (d) The State Board of Education is hereby authorized to promulgate  
32 rules and regulations necessary for the implementation of this act.

34 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
35 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code

1 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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

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10 hereby repealed.

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*/s/ Senator Chaffin*

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