

A Bill

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9 For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT TEACHERS RECEIVE A THIRTY-
11 MINUTE UNINTERRUPTED DUTY-FREE LUNCH PERIOD
12 DURING EACH STUDENT INSTRUCTIONAL DAY; AND FOR
13 OTHER PURPOSES.

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

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SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-17-111(a), concerning teachers' duty-free lunch period during each student instructional day, is amended to read as follows:

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(a)(1) ~~For a minimum of eighty percent (80%) of the student contact days, each~~ Each school district in this state shall provide ~~at least a~~ a thirty-minute uninterrupted duty-free lunch period during each student instructional day for each certified school employee in its employment.

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(2) Any teacher not receiving a duty-free lunch ~~for a minimum of eighty percent (80%) of the student contact days shall receive an hourly per diem rate~~ period during each student instructional day as provided in subdivision (a)(1) of this section shall be compensated at his or her hourly rate of pay for each missed lunch period ~~unless the teacher waives his or her right to be compensated.~~



