

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**
4 **By: Senator Chaffin**

A Bill

ACT 648 OF 1993
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

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

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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) 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.

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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
36 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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

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 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

/s/ Senator Chaffin

APPROVED: 3/24/93

