

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.

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As Engrossed: S3/26/03

A Bill

Act 1216 of 2003
SENATE BILL 811

5 By: Senator Gullett
6 By: Representative Roebuck
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For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT ORAL HEALTH INSTRUCTION INTO
11 PUBLIC SCHOOL CURRICULA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

14 AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT ORAL HEALTH
15 INSTRUCTION INTO PUBLIC SCHOOL
16 CURRICULA.

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

21 SECTION 1. (a) The Department of Education shall adopt oral health
22 standards as part of the Arkansas physical education and health curriculum
23 framework.

24 (b) The Department of Education shall work with public schools to
25 establish an educational program to inform, train, and educate students
26 concerning the importance of achieving and maintaining good oral health.

27 (c) Curricula shall be designed according to objectives established by
28 the department.

29 (d) The objectives shall be grade specific and shall be incorporated
30 into the appropriate existing health and science curricula.

31 (e) It is the intent of this section that the curricula shall be
32 implemented gradually, on a basis to be determined by the department,
33 beginning no later than the fall semester 2005, with early elementary
34 curricula and reaching full implementation at the high school level no later
35 than the fall semester of 2011.

36 (f) The department shall enlist the voluntary assistance of



1 appropriate dental health professionals, organizations, and departments as
2 necessary to achieve the purposes of this section.

3 /s/ Gullett

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