State of Arkansas

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A Bill

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HOUSE BILL 1648

By: Representative F. Allen

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL; TO INCLUDE CERTAIN ARKANSAS CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS AND HEROES IN THE TEACHING MATERIALS REGARDING AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO INCLUDE CERTAIN ARKANSAS CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS AND HEROES IN THE TEACHING MATERIALS REGARDING AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-16-121(a)(2), concerning the materials and resources required for teaching African-American history in kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) in public schools, is amended to read as follows:

(2) Emphasis shall be placed on the historic work of American and Arkansas civil rights leaders and events during the civil rights era, including without limitation Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and his pursuit of justice in civil society.

/s/F. Allen

APPROVED: 4/15/19