State of Arkansas

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1701

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By: Representative J. Mayberry

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES, AND ORGANIZED PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES; TO PROHIBIT THE REQUIREMENT THAT A PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT WHO PARTICIPATES IN AN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY, INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY, OR ORGANIZED PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PAY FOR INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP INSTRUCTION AS A CONDITION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO PROHIBIT THE REQUIREMENT THAT A STUDENT PARTICIPATING IN AN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY, INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY, OR ORGANIZED PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PAY FOR INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP INSTRUCTION.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 16, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-16-151. Activities — Payments prohibited.

(a) As used throughout Title 6, unless otherwise provided:

(1) "Extracurricular activity" means an intraschool activity not included in a regular curriculum, including without limitation sports and special interest clubs or groups;

(2) "Interscholastic activity" means an interschool activity not included in a regular curriculum, including without limitation sports and
special interest clubs or groups that are subject to regulations of the
Arkansas Activities Association; and

(3) "Organized physical activity course" means a school course
that:

(A) is taught by an instructor who is licensed or
qualified in physical education under the State Board of Education rules; and

(B) involves body movement produced by skeletal muscles
resulting in energy expenditures through organized group or class activities.

(b) A public school student who participates in an extracurricular
activity, interscholastic activity, or organized physical activity shall not
be required to pay for individual or group instruction in order to
participate in the extracurricular activity, interscholastic activity, or
organized physical activity.

/s/J. Mayberry

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