

1 State of Arkansas  
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# A Bill

ACT 1147 OF 1997  
HOUSE BILL 1094

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5 By: Representative Young  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO INITIATE  
10 AND MAINTAIN FOUR-DAY SCHOOL WEEKS SO LONG AS PLANNED  
11 INSTRUCTIONAL TIME IS IN ACCORD WITH REQUIREMENTS  
12 ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER  
13 PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

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20 EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS."

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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. (a) It is found and determined by the General Assembly that  
25 granting local school districts greater flexibility in scheduling  
26 instructional time can reap educational benefits for the students and  
27 financial rewards for the districts. It is the intent of this act to  
28 authorize local school districts to initiate and maintain public school  
29 educational programs on a four-day school week basis, so long as planned  
30 instructional time is in accord with requirements established by the State  
31 Board of Education.

32 (b) As used in this act, "four-day school week" means an educational  
33 program in which all students attend school for four (4) days a week but no  
34 fewer than the total number of hours required by the Arkansas Standards for  
35 Accreditation in a five-day school week.

36 (c) The board of directors of any school district is authorized to

