

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.

Act 985 of the Regular Session

1 State of Arkansas
2 86th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2007
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As Engrossed: S3/26/07

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2029

5 By: Representative Jeffrey
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT TO EXEMPT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO HAVE
10 GRADUATED EARLY FROM THE REQUIREMENT THAT THEY
11 ATTEND A FULL SCHOOL DAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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13 **Subtitle**

14 AN ACT TO EXEMPT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
15 WHO HAVE GRADUATED EARLY FROM THE
16 REQUIREMENT THAT THEY ATTEND A FULL
17 SCHOOL DAY.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-18-211(d), concerning mandatory school
23 attendance for students in grades nine through twelve, is amended to read as
24 follows:

25 (d) Nothing in this section and § 6-18-210:

26 (1) ~~precludes~~ Precludes a student who has met all graduation
27 requirements from graduating early-; or

28 (2) Requires a student who has graduated early from high school
29 to continue to attend school.
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31 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
32 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the academic year begins in
33 August, 2007; that curricula must be established and facilities and equipment
34 in place before the academic year begins; that Arkansas students may miss the
35 opportunity provided in this act if needed courses, facilities, and equipment



1 are not in place before August, 2007; and that any delay in the effective
2 date of this act may cause irreparable harm to the educational and employment
3 opportunities of young people who hope to graduate early. Therefore, an
4 emergency is declared to exist and this act being necessary for the
5 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective
6 on:

7 (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

8 (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,
9 the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the
10 bill; or

11 (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is
12 overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

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14 /s/ Jeffrey

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16 APPROVED: 4/3/2007
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