

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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A Bill

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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO REQUIRE SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO OFFER A
10 COURSE IN DRIVER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 TO REQUIRE SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO OFFER A
15 COURSE IN DRIVER EDUCATION.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 16, Subchapter 5 is amended
21 to add an additional section to read as follows:

22 6-16-509. Driver education training course.

23 (a) As used in this section:

24 (1) "Approved driver education training course" means a course
25 that meets the standards approved by the Department of Workforce Education
26 for driver education; and

27 (2) "Eligible student" means a student determined eligible for
28 national school lunch funding under the National School Lunch Act, as it
29 existed on July 1, 2009, who participated in a driver education training
30 course offered in a school district.

31 (b) A school district shall offer a minimum of one (1) time each year
32 an approved driver education training course for all students fifteen (15)
33 years of age through seventeen (17) years of age.

34 (c) The school district shall notify the parents of all students
35 fifteen (15) years of age through seventeen (17) years of age enrolled in the
36 school district of the date, time, and any course fee of the approved driver



1 education training course that is offered in the school district.

2 (d) A school district shall grant an eligible student a waiver of the
 3 course fee up to four hundred dollars (\$400) depending on the availability of
 4 funds.

5 (e)(1) The Department of Education shall reimburse a school district
 6 up to four hundred dollars (\$400) for each eligible student from the Public
 7 School Driver Education Fund.

8 (2) Funding will be determined based on the amount of funding
 9 available in the Public School Driver Education Program Fund.

10 (f) A school district shall report to the Department of Education
 11 annually through the Arkansas Public School Computer Network the name of each
 12 student participating in the driver education training course and number of
 13 students who:

- 14 (1) Enrolled in the driver education training course;
- 15 (2) Passed the driver education training course; and
- 16 (3) Failed the driver education training course.

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 18 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 19, Chapter 6, Subchapter 8 is amended to add
 19 an additional section to read as follows:

20 19-6-811. Public School Driver Education Fund.

21 (a) There is created on the books of the Treasurer of State, the
 22 Auditor of State, and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State a special revenue
 23 fund to be known as the "Public School Driver Education Fund".

24 (b)(1) All moneys collected under § 26-57-603 shall be deposited into
 25 the State Treasury to the credit of the fund as special revenues.

26 (2) The fund shall also consist of any other revenues as may be
 27 authorized by law.

28 (c) The fund shall be used by the Department of Education for
 29 providing grants to school districts for driver education and for the
 30 administrative costs incurred by the department in administering the fund.

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 32 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 26-57-603(d), concerning premium tax, is
 33 amended to read as follows:

34 (d)(1) Each authorized, unauthorized, or formerly authorized domestic,
 35 foreign, and alien insurer shall pay to the Treasurer of State through the
 36 commissioner, as a tax imposed for the privilege of transacting business in

1 this state, a tax upon the net premiums and net considerations, except as
 2 provided in § 26-57-605. The tax shall be computed ~~thereon~~ on the net
 3 premiums and net considerations at a rate of two and one-half percent (2½%).
 4 The premiums written shall be reported at such times and in such form and
 5 context as prescribed by the commissioner~~+~~, and the taxes shall be paid on a
 6 quarterly estimate basis as prescribed by the commissioner and shall be
 7 reconciled annually at the time of filing the annual report required in
 8 subsections (a)-(c) of this section.

9 (2)(A) In addition to the premium tax levied in subdivision
 10 (d)(1) of this section, each authorized, unauthorized, or formerly authorized
 11 domestic, foreign, and alien insurer shall pay to the Treasurer of State
 12 through the commissioner, as a tax imposed for the privilege of transacting
 13 business in this state, a tax in the amount of five-tenths percent (0.5%)
 14 upon the net premiums and net considerations derived from premiums collected
 15 by the insurance company on insurance contracts written on motor vehicles
 16 with licensed addresses in Arkansas in which the motor vehicles are insured
 17 against the perils of physical damage or the owners or operators of the motor
 18 vehicles are insured against legal liability arising out of the use,
 19 ownership, or operation of the motor vehicles.

20 (B) The tax levied in subdivision (d)(2)(A) of this
 21 section shall be deposited into the State Treasury to the credit of the
 22 Public School Driver Education Fund.

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