

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 160

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For An Act To Be Entitled

14 AN ACT TO REQUIRE HOLOCAUST EDUCATION BE TAUGHT IN
15 ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

18 TO REQUIRE HOLOCAUST EDUCATION BE TAUGHT
19 IN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 16, Subchapter 1, is amended
26 to add an additional section to read as follows:

27 6-16-152. Holocaust education – Required.

28 (a) Beginning in the 2021-2022 school year, Holocaust education shall
29 be taught in all public schools in a manner that:

30 (1) Generates an understanding of the causes, course, and
31 effects of the Holocaust;

32 (2) Develops dialogue with students on the ramifications of
33 bullying, bigotry, stereotyping, and discrimination; and

34 (3) Encourages tolerance of diversity and reverence for human
35 dignity for all citizens in a pluralistic society.

36 (b) The State Board of Education, in consultation with local,



1 statewide, and national experts in Holocaust education, shall develop and
2 distribute curricula, standards, materials, and units relating to Holocaust
3 education for grade-appropriate kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12)
4 instruction in all public schools.

5 (c) As used in this section, "Holocaust" means the systematic, state-
6 sponsored persecution and attempted annihilation of Jews and other groups by
7 the Nazi regime in Germany between 1933 and 1945, which resulted in the
8 murder of approximately six million (6,000,000) Jews and five million
9 (5,000,000) other individuals.

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