

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

Act 86 of 2001  
HOUSE BILL 1069

5 By: Representatives Biggs, Allison, Borhauer, Bookout, Lendall  
6 By: Senator Critcher  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF  
10 NURSING TO SET STANDARDS FOR CONTINUING MEDICAL  
11 EDUCATION FOR ALL LICENSED NURSES; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 87, Subchapter 2 is amended  
24 to add the following additional section to read as follows:

25 17-87-207. (a)(1) The Arkansas State Board of Nursing shall adopt  
26 rules setting minimum standards for continuing education to ensure that all  
27 licensed nurses remain informed about those technical and professional  
28 subjects which the board deems appropriate to nursing practice.

29 (2) The board shall not require more than twenty (20) hours of  
30 continuing education per year.

31 (b) The board shall make every effort to ensure that the continuing  
32 education programs are offered either within the nurse's workplace or at  
33 another place convenient to the nurse, whether through live presentation or  
34 distance learning.

35 (c)(1) The board shall adopt rules to prescribe the methods by which the  
36 minimum standards for continuing education may be satisfied.

