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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1346

"AN ACT TO MODIFY THE AMOUNT OF TIME REQUIRED FOR PHYSICAL
EDUCATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH
GRADE EIGHT (K-8)."

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1346.

Amend House Bill No. 1346 as engrossed, H2/26/07 (version: 02-26-2007 09:04):

Delete Section 1 in its entirety and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-16-132(b)(1), regarding physical education requirements for public school students, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1)(A) ~~Every kindergarten through grade eight (K-8) public educational institution shall require no less than a total of~~ The physical education curriculum and physical activity requirements for every public school student who is physically fit and able to participate are:

(i) Except as provided in subdivision (b)(1)(A)(ii) of this section, for students in kindergarten through grade six (K-6):

(a) ~~one (1) hour per week~~ Forty (40) minutes of physical education training and instruction each calendar week of the school year for every student who is physically fit and able to participate;
and

(b) One hundred ten (110) minutes of physical activity each calendar week of the school year, which may include without limitation daily recess, physical education instruction in addition to the requirement of subdivision (b)(1)(A)(i)(a) of this section, or intramural sports;

(ii) For students in grades five through eight (5-8) who attend a public school organized to teach grades five through eight (5-8), or any combination thereof, sixty (60) minutes of physical education training and instruction each calendar week of the school year or an equivalent amount of time in each school year, with no additional requirement for physical activity; and

(iii) For students in grades nine through twelve (9-12), one-half (1/2) unit of physical education as required for high school graduation, with no additional requirement for physical activity.

(B) Nothing in subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section prohibits:



(i) A public school student's elective enrollment or voluntary participation in physical activity or physical education as a part of public school curriculum or extra-curricular activities; or
(ii) A school district's decision to require physical education instruction or physical activity in excess of the amounts identified in subdivision (b)(1) of this section."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator Bisbee

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