

State of Arkansas

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HOUSE BILL 1924

By: Representative Willems

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED 6-19-106(a) TO REMOVE THE AGE LIMIT FOR BUS DRIVERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated 6-19-106(a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(a) No person physically defective or of unsound mind, known to be a habitual drunkard or of immoral habits, or who has been convicted within the past five (5) years of operating a motor vehicle in a reckless manner or while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or narcotic drugs, who has a general reputation of being a fast and reckless operator of motor vehicles without regard to the rights of others, or who is less than nineteen (19) years of age on June 30 following his or her last birthday shall be permitted or employed to act as chauffeur or operator of any school bus, either privately or publicly owned, operated by public school districts and used to transport pupils to and from the public schools in the State of Arkansas."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that Arkansas Code Annotated 6-19-106(a) is in conflict with federal laws prohibiting discrimination based on age and that this act is necessary

for the public health, welfare and safety of the people of this State.  
Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being  
necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be  
in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.