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4 By: Representative Goodwin

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR REENACTORS TO  
9 CARRY CIVIL WAR ERA WEAPONS OR REPRODUCTIONS ON SCHOOL  
10 PROPERTY FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES IF LOCAL SCHOOL  
11 OFFICIALS GRANT APPROVAL IN ADVANCE; 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. DEFINITIONS. As used in this act, unless the context  
24 requires otherwise:

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(1) "Civil War" means the 1861-1865 American Civil War.

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27 (2) "Civil War era weapon" means an instrument used in offensive or  
defensive combat during the Civil War or is a modern reproduction.

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29 (3) "Civil War reenactor" means a member of an organized group acting  
30 out historical events from the Civil War and carrying an actual weapon from  
that era or a reproduction.

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32 (4) "School official" means a public school district superintendent or  
principal, a private school superintendent or principal, a president,  
33 chancellor, or dean of a publicly supported institution of higher education,  
34 or a president or dean of a private institution of higher education.

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(5) "School property" means any building, bus, campus, ground,

1 recreational area, athletic field, or other area or structure owned or in the  
2 charge of a public school district, a private school, a publicly supported  
3 institution of higher education, or a private institution of higher  
4 education.

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6 SECTION 2. A person in this state who is a Civil War reenactor may  
7 carry a Civil War era weapon on school property for educational purposes so  
8 long as a school official grants approval in advance and if the weapon is a  
9 firearm, the firearm is unloaded.

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11 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent  
12 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas  
13 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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15 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
16 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
17 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
18 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
19 act are declared to be severable.

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21 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
22 hereby repealed.

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