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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1631

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARK. CODE § 6-13-629 TO REQUIRE *NINE (9)*  
9 HOURS OF TRAINING AND INSTRUCTION FOR MEMBERS OF LOCAL  
10 SCHOOL BOARDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

13 "TO REQUIRE 9 HOURS OF TRAINING AND  
14 INSTRUCTION FOR MEMBERS OF LOCAL SCHOOL  
15 BOARDS."

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

19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-13-629 is hereby amended to  
20 read as follows:

21 "6-13-629. Training and instruction - Reimbursement.

22 (a)(1) All members of a school district board of directors elected at  
23 each annual school election shall receive a minimum of *nine (9)* hours  
24 training and instruction in the school laws of this state and in the laws  
25 governing the powers, duties, and responsibilities of school boards.

26 (2) This instruction may be received from an institution of  
27 higher learning in this state, from instruction sponsored by the Department  
28 of Education, by an in-service training program conducted by the Arkansas  
29 School Boards Association, *or other approved in-service training*; provided,  
30 however, that all such training and instruction shall be approved by the  
31 Department of Education.

32 (3) Any school board member completing a course of instruction  
33 shall receive a certification of completion, and a copy shall be entered into  
34 the minutes of the local school board on which he or she serves.

35 (4) Any member who fails to receive required training and

1 instruction during the first two (2) years of his term of office shall lose  
2 the right to vote on the local school board until such instruction is  
3 completed.

4 (b) Local school district boards of directors are authorized to pay  
5 per diem and other necessary expenses from funds belonging to the school  
6 district and to reimburse school board directors for expenses incurred in  
7 attending in-service workshops, conferences, and other courses of training  
8 and instruction required in completing a minimum of *nine (9)* hours of  
9 instruction as required in subsection (a) of this section."

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11 SECTION 2. 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 3. 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 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
22 hereby repealed.

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*/s/Rep. Northcutt, et al*

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