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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1678

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## 7 For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARK. CODE § 20-78-222 TO SPECIFY  
9 APPROPRIATE TOPICS FOR CONTINUING EARLY CHILDHOOD  
10 EDUCATION REQUIRED BY LAW FOR CHILD CARE FACILITY  
11 LICENSURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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## 13 Subtitle

14 "TO SPECIFY APPROPRIATE TOPICS FOR  
15 CONTINUING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION  
16 REQUIRED BY LAW FOR CHILD CARE FACILITY  
17 LICENSURE."

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

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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 20-78-222 is hereby amended to  
22 read as follows:

23 "20-78-222. Continuing education.

24 (a)(1) All persons employed by a child care facility who work directly  
25 with children shall receive at least ten (10) hours per year of continuing  
26 early childhood education as approved by the board.

27 (2) Topics appropriate for continuing early childhood education  
28 shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- 29 (A) Child growth and development;
- 30 (B) Nutrition and food service;
- 31 (C) Parent communication and involvement;
- 32 (D) Curriculum and curriculum development;
- 33 (E) Developmentally appropriate practice and learning  
34 environments;
- 35 (F) Behavior management;

4           (b) Evidence satisfactory to the board of each employee's completion,  
5 within the past twenty-four (24) months, of continuing education shall be  
6 maintained by the facility as part of the facility's personnel records.

7           (c) The failure of a child care facility to comply with this  
8 requirement shall be grounds for the denial, revocation, or suspension of a  
9 license issued pursuant to this subchapter."

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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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