

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1757

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5 By: Representatives Jeffress, McGinnis, French, Allison, Baker, Horn, Madison, Cook, Wilkins, McKissack, and Broadway

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE
10 PLANNING *TIME* DURING THE SCHOOL *WEEK* FOR ALL CLASSROOM
11 TEACHERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

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20 SECTION 1. Title 6, Chapter 17, Subchapter 1 of the Arkansas Code
21 Annotated is amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

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"6-17-114. Daily planning period.

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(a)(1) Effective beginning the 1998-99 school year, each school district in this state shall provide a minimum of two hundred (200) minutes each week of scheduled time for conferences, instructional planning, and preparation for all classroom teachers employed by the district; provided, however, that such planning time shall be in increments of no less than twenty (20) minutes.

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(2) Effective beginning the 1999-2000 school year, such planning time shall be in increments of no less than thirty (30) minutes.

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(b) No school district shall provide planning time as required by this section by lengthening the school day unless the district compensates teachers for the additional time, at an hourly per diem rate.

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(c) Each school district shall implement the requirements of this section in accordance with §§ 6-17-201 et seq."

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

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5 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
6 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
7 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
8 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
9 act are declared to be severable.

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

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/s/Rep. Jeffress et al

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