

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

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2158

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5 By: Representative Simon  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT AMENDING ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED <sup>§</sup> 6-18-224, AS  
10 ADDED BY ACT 275 OF 1997, TO REQUIRE STUDENTS TO HAVE A  
11 MINIMUM SCORE OF 24 ON THE AMERICAN COLLEGE TEST COMPOSITE  
12 TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR EARLY GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL; AND  
13 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."  
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## Subtitle

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16 "REQUIRING STUDENTS TO HAVE A MINIMUM  
17 SCORE OF 24 ON THE AMERICAN COLLEGE TEST  
18 COMPOSITE TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR EARLY  
19 GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL."  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated <sup>§</sup> 6-18-224, as added by Act 275 of  
24 1997, is amended to read as follows:

25 "6-18-224. Early graduation.

26 Any student who is enrolled in a public high school in Arkansas and has  
27 earned the number of credits required by the local school district for  
28 graduation shall be eligible to graduate from the high school without regard  
29 to the grade level the student is enrolled in at the time such credits are  
30 earned; provided, however, that the student shall have scored twenty-four (24)  
31 or above on the American College Test composite.  
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33 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
34 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
35 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.  
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1           SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
2 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
3 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
4 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
5 act are declared to be severable.

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

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10 ~~SECTION 1. Title 6, Chapter 18, Subchapter 2 of the Arkansas Code~~  
11 ~~Annotated is amended by adding the following section to read as follows:~~

12 ~~\_\_\_\_\_ 6-18-224. Early graduation.~~

13 ~~Any student who is enrolled in a public high school in Arkansas and has~~  
14 ~~earned the number of credits required by the local school district for~~  
15 ~~graduation shall be eligible to graduate from the high school without regard~~  
16 ~~to the grade level the student is enrolled in at the time such credits are~~  
17 ~~earned.~~

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/s/Rep. Simon et al

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