

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

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2 82nd General Assembly

A Bill

3 Regular Session, 1999

HOUSE BILL 1017

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5 By: Representatives Lendall, Milligan, Ferrell, Hendren, Gullett, Wilkins, Bledsoe, Napper, Hale,
6 Creekmore, Ammons, Biggs, Salmon, C. Johnson, Green, Magnus

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For An Act To Be Entitled

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"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 6, CHAPTER 16,
11 SUBCHAPTER 1, AND ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 6, CHAPTER 61,
12 SUBCHAPTER 1, TO ALLOW THE AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE TO
13 QUALIFY AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE IN STATE-SUPPORTED
14 COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

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

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SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 61, Subchapter 1 is amended
25 by adding the following language:

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"6-61-115. The American sign language may qualify as a foreign language
28 for the purpose of meeting general elective credit requirements for graduation
29 from state-supported colleges and universities in Arkansas if the American
30 sign language is taught by a qualified instructor of American Sign Language
31 and the course is conducted under the supervision of an instructor at the
college or university as approved by that college or university.

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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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