

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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## A Bill

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HOUSE BILL 1034

By: Representatives Walters, Key, Cook, George, R. Green, Mack, M. Martin, Nichols, Norton, Ormond, Petrus, Pyle, Roebuck, Rogers, Saunders, Wells, *Matayo, Bolin, Harris, Rosenbaum, Sullivan*

By: Senators Wilkinson, Miller, *Womack*

### For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO CONTINUE THE REQUIREMENT FOR FORTY  
(40) MINUTES OF VISUAL ART OR MUSIC FOR STUDENTS  
IN GRADES ONE THROUGH SIX (1-6); AND FOR OTHER  
PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

AN ACT TO CONTINUE THE REQUIREMENT FOR  
FORTY (40) MINUTES OF VISUAL ART OR  
MUSIC FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES ONE THROUGH  
SIX (1-6).

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

*SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-16-130 is amended to read as follows:*

*6-16-130. Visual art or music.*

~~(a)(1)~~ (a) ~~By no later than June 1, 2002, every~~ Every public elementary school in the state shall provide instruction in visual art ~~or~~ and music based on the state visual art and music frameworks for a total period of not less than forty (40) minutes each calendar week of the school year or any equivalent amount of time per school year which shall be allocated so that the forty (40) minute minimum is divided substantially equally for instruction in visual art and instruction in music during the school year.

~~(2)(A)~~ (b)(1) Every student in grades one through six (1-6) shall ~~be allowed to~~ participate in the visual art or music class required in this subsection.



~~(B)(2) Children with disabilities or other special needs shall be included in the visual art and music programs.~~

~~(3)(c) Prior to June 1, 2005, the The instruction required by this subsection may section shall be provided by a volunteer or by a certified teacher as required by the Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and other rules of the State Board of Education.~~

~~(4)(d) The Department of Education shall provide a stipend not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) per class to each school for the purchase of necessary supplies or equipment for the classes required by this subsection.~~

~~(b)(1) By no later than June 1, 2005, every public elementary school in the state shall provide instruction in visual art and music based on the state visual art and music frameworks for a period of not less than one (1) hour each calendar week of the school year.~~

~~(2)(A) Every student in grades one through six (1-6) shall participate in the visual art and music class required in this subsection.~~

~~(B) Children with disabilities or other special needs shall be included in the visual art and music programs.~~

~~(3) The instruction required by this subsection shall be provided by a licensed teacher certified to teach art or music, as applicable.~~

~~(4) The department shall provide a stipend not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) per class to each school for the purchase of necessary supplies or equipment for the classes required by this subsection.~~

SECTION 2. This act shall be effective on June 1, 2005 for the 2005-2006 school year.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that beginning on June 1, 2005, school districts will be required to offer one (1) full hour of art and music to students in grades one through six (1-6); that the additional time requirements are not compatible with usual schedules used by school districts. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

1                   (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

2                   (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,  
3 the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the  
4 bill; or

5                   (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is  
6 overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

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