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HOUSE BILL 1034

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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 public elementary
school in the state shall provide instruction in visual art or music based on
the state visual art and music frameworks for a period of not less than forty
(40) minutes each calendar week of 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)(b)~~ Prior to June 1, 2005, the The instruction required by



1 this ~~subsection~~ section may be provided by a ~~volunteer or by a~~ certified
2 teacher or a person with a degree in art or music.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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22 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
23 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that beginning on June 1, 2005,
24 school districts will be required to offer one (1) full hour of art and music
25 to students in grades one through six (1-6); that the additional time
26 requirements are not compatible with usual schedules used by school
27 districts. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being
28 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and
29 safety shall become effective on:

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

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

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