

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

HOUSE BILL 2560

5 By: Representatives Key, Dickinson, Harris, Pyle, Rosenbaum
6 By: Senator Womack
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9 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

10 AN ACT TO MAKE IMMUNIZATION OF CHILDREN IN
11 SCHOOLS AND CHILD CARE FACILITIES VOLUNTARY FOR
12 IMMUNIZATIONS AGAINST SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED
13 DISEASES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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15 **Subtitle**

16 AN ACT TO MAKE IMMUNIZATION OF CHILDREN
17 IN SCHOOLS AND CHILD CARE FACILITIES
18 VOLUNTARY FOR IMMUNIZATIONS AGAINST
19 SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-18-702(a), concerning student
25 immunizations, is amended to read as follows:

26 (a)(1) Except as otherwise provided by law, no infant or child shall
27 be admitted to a public or private school or child care facility of this
28 state who has not been age-appropriately immunized from poliomyelitis,
29 diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, red (rubeola) measles, rubella, and other
30 diseases except sexually transmitted diseases as designated by the State
31 Board of Health, as evidenced by a certificate of a licensed physician or a
32 public health department acknowledging the immunization.

33 (2) The board may establish a voluntary program through which a
34 parents or guardian of a child may elect to have the child immunized against
35 sexually transmitted diseases.

36 (3) The provisions of this subsection (a) regarding



1 immunizations against sexually transmitted diseases do not apply to
2 immunization requirements in effect as of January 1, 2007.

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4 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-60-502 is amended to read as follows:

5 (a) No part-time student housed in on-campus premises and no full-time
6 student may attend a public or private college or university in this state
7 unless he or she has furnished proof, within such time as set by the college
8 or university, but not to exceed thirty (30) calendar days after enrollment,
9 by way of an official record from another educational institution in Arkansas
10 or a certificate from a licensed medical doctor or an authorized public
11 health department representative, that he or she has immunity against
12 measles, rubella, and ~~such~~ other diseases except sexually transmitted
13 diseases as delineated by the State Board of Health.

14 (b) The board may establish a voluntary program through which:

15 (1) A college student may elect to be immunized against sexually
16 transmitted diseases; or

17 (2) A parent or guardian of a college student who is a minor may
18 elect for the student to be immunized against sexually transmitted diseases.

19 (c) The provisions of this section regarding immunizations against
20 sexually transmitted diseases do not apply to immunization requirements in
21 effect as of January 1, 2007.

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23 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 20-78-206(a)(2)(A)(i), concerning
24 immunizations for children in child care facilities, is amended to read as
25 follows:

26 (2)(A)(i)(a) However, no child care facility shall continue to admit a
27 child who has not been age-appropriately immunized from poliomyelitis,
28 diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, red (rubeola) measles, rubella, and any other
29 diseases except sexually transmitted diseases as designated by the State
30 Board of Health within fifteen (15) program days after the child's original
31 admission.

32 (b) The provisions of this subdivision
33 (2)(A)(i) regarding immunizations against sexually transmitted diseases do
34 not apply to immunization requirements in effect as of January 1, 2007.

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36 /s/ Key, et al