

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.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 86th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2007

# A Bill

SENATE BILL 940

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5 By: Senator Bryles  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 6-16-104 TO ALLOW  
10 EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS TO BE OFFERED IN AN  
11 ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-16-104 is amended to read as follows:  
22 6-16-104. Basic language of instruction.

23 (a) The basic language of instruction in the public school branches in  
24 all the schools of the state, public and private, shall be the English  
25 language only.

26 (b) A language other than English may be used on state-mandated  
27 assessments that assess subject areas other than English language proficiency  
28 to separately evaluate a student's level of learning in the assessed areas.

29 ~~(b)(c)~~ It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Education, the  
30 Director of the Department of Workforce Education, and city superintendents  
31 to see that the provisions of this section are carried out.

32 ~~(e)(d)~~ Any person violating the provisions of ~~this section~~ § 6-16-  
33 104(a) shall be guilty of a violation and upon conviction shall be fined not  
34 to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), payable into the general school fund  
35 of the county.

36 ~~(d)(e)~~ Each day this violation occurs shall be considered a separate



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