

1 State of Arkansas
2 89th General Assembly
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4

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2268

5 By: Representative H. Wilkins
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO OBSERVE DR.
9 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.'S BIRTHDAY AS A SCHOOL
10 HOLIDAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.'S BIRTHDAY AS A
15 SCHOOL HOLIDAY.
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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 Title 6, Chapter 10, is amended to add an
22 additional section to read as follows:

23 6-10-125. Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday as a
24 school holiday.

25 (a) The General Assembly finds that:

26 (1) Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is widely regarded as America's
27 preeminent advocate of nonviolence and multicultural diversity; and

28 (2) Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s accomplishments are now taught
29 to American school children of all races, are studied worldwide, and are
30 increasingly relevant to the progress of humankind.

31 (b) A public school district in this state shall observe Dr. Martin
32 Luther King, Jr.'s birthday as a school holiday and shall not hold school on
33 the third Monday in January in observance of the holiday.
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