

1 State of Arkansas  
2 92nd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2019  
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As Engrossed: H3/20/19  
**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1648

5 By: Representative F. Allen  
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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 AN ACT CONCERNING AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY IN A  
9 PUBLIC SCHOOL; TO INCLUDE CERTAIN ARKANSAS CIVIL  
10 RIGHTS LEADERS AND HEROES IN THE TEACHING MATERIALS  
11 REGARDING AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY IN A PUBLIC  
12 SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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14 **Subtitle**

15 TO INCLUDE CERTAIN ARKANSAS CIVIL RIGHTS  
16 LEADERS AND HEROES IN THE TEACHING  
17 MATERIALS REGARDING AFRICAN-AMERICAN  
18 HISTORY IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL.  
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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 § 6-16-121(a)(2), concerning the materials  
25 and resources required for teaching African-American history in kindergarten  
26 through grade twelve (K-12) in public schools, is amended to read as follows:

27 (2) Emphasis shall be placed on the historic work of American  
28 and Arkansas civil rights leaders and events during the civil rights era,  
29 including without limitation:

30 (A) Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and his pursuit of  
31 justice in civil society;

32 (B) The "Little Rock Nine";

33 (C) Daisy Gatson Bates;

34 (D) Irma Hunter Brown;

35 (E) Dr. Garman P. Freeman;

36 (F) John W. Walker; and



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