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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1715

5 By: Representative Womack  
6 By: Senator J. Payton  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT ADDITIONAL TICKET FEES FOR STUDENT  
10 ACTIVITIES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ELEMENTARY  
11 AND SECONDARY STUDENT ACTIVITIES; TO AMEND THE LAW  
12 CONCERNING CONTRACTS AND PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS; AND  
13 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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27 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 18, Subchapter 1, is amended  
28 to add an additional section to read as follows:

29 6-18-114. Student activities – Tickets – Definitions.

30 (a) As used in this section:

31 (1) “Extracurricular activity” means an intraschool activity not  
32 included in a regular curriculum, including without limitation sports and  
33 special interest clubs or groups;

34 (2) “Interscholastic activity” means an interschool activity not  
35 included in a regular curriculum, including without limitation sports and  
36 special interest clubs or groups that are subject to regulations of the



1 Arkansas Activities Association; and

2 (3) "Organized physical activity course" means a school course  
 3 that:

4 (A) Is taught by an instructor who is licensed or  
 5 qualified in physical education under State Board of Education rules; and

6 (B) Involves body movement produced by skeletal muscles  
 7 resulting in energy expenditures through organized group or class activities.

8 (b) A public school district or open-enrollment public charter school  
 9 that organizes or hosts an extracurricular activity, interscholastic  
 10 activity, or organized physical activity shall:

11 (1) Not enter into a contract with a ticket provider that  
 12 charges a fee over the regular price of admission for the extracurricular  
 13 activity, interscholastic activity, or organized physical activity;

14 (2) Not restrict the purchase of a ticket to a single online  
 15 vendor; and

16 (3) Ensure an option for the payment of the ticket price to be  
 17 made in cash.

18 (c) Unless otherwise provided by law, a public school district shall  
 19 not impose any requirements for attendance at an extracurricular activity,  
 20 interscholastic activity, or organized physical activity, other than the cost  
 21 of a ticket, as a precondition for admission to activity.

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