

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

ACT 1247 OF 1997
HOUSE BILL 1758

5 By: Representatives McKissack, Broadway, Choate, and Wilkins
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE TEACHERS WITH AT LEAST THIRTY (30) DAYS
10 FOR SIGNING AND RETURNING CONTRACTS AND TO PROVIDE FOR
11 UNILATERAL RECISION OF CONTRACTS WITHIN TEN (10) DAYS
12 AFTER THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."
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Subtitle

14 "TO PROVIDE TEACHERS WITH AT LEAST 30
15 DAYS FOR SIGNING AND RETURNING CONTRACTS
16 AND TO PROVIDE FOR UNILATERAL RECISION
17 OF CONTRACTS WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER THE
18 END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR."
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-17-1506 pertaining to automatic
24 contract renewal and notice of nonrenewal is amended by adding a new
25 subsection to read as follows:

26 "(c) No teacher shall be required to sign and return a contract for the
27 next school year any sooner than thirty (30) days after the contract is issued
28 to the teacher. The teacher shall have the right to unilaterally rescind any
29 signed contract no later than ten (10) days after the end of the school year."
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31 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
32 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
33 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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35 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
36 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect

1 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
2 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
3 act are declared to be severable.

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5 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
6 hereby repealed.

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/s/McKissack et al

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