

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 1017

By: Senator G. Stubblefield

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING THE STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES
CONSTITUTION AND FOUNDING DOCUMENTS; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

CONCERNING THE STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES
CONSTITUTION AND FOUNDING DOCUMENTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 16, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-16-142. Course on the United States Constitution and founding documents.

(a) A public high school may teach a course concerning the United States Constitution and other founding documents of our nation, including without limitation:

(1) Organic documents from the preColonial, colonial, revolutionary, Federalist, and post-Federalist eras;

(2) The Declaration of Independence;

(3) The United States Constitution and its amendments with emphasis on the Bill of Rights;

(4) The writings, speeches, documents, and proclamations of early-American founding fathers.

(b) A course taught under this section shall count as an American History course required for graduation under the Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and School Districts if the course meets the



curriculum frameworks and standards required by rule of the State Board of Education.