

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

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 634

By: Senator D. Sanders

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS REGISTERED VOLUNTEERS
PROGRAM ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS REGISTERED
VOLUNTEERS PROGRAM ACT.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-22-104 is amended to read as follows:
6-22-104. Optional program ~~development~~ – Requirements.

(a) Each local school district may develop a registered volunteers program and may accept the services of volunteers who qualify under the program to assist in extracurricular and interscholastic activities that are sponsored by the district.

(b) A school district that develops a registered volunteers program as set forth in this chapter shall:

(1) Take actions as are necessary to develop meaningful opportunities for qualified volunteers to assist in extracurricular activities and interscholastic activities;

(2) Take actions as are necessary to ensure that qualified volunteers have written job descriptions that define their duties and responsibilities;

(3) Provide for the recognition of qualified volunteers who have offered exceptional service to the school district; and

(4) Provide support for the volunteer program established under *the State and Local Government Volunteers Act, § 21-13-101 et seq.*



(c) A registered volunteer in an athletic program for grades seven through twelve (7-12) shall meet the requirements adopted by the Arkansas Activities Association (AAA) through the AAA National Federation of State High School Associations Coaches Education Program.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-22-105, concerning registered volunteers, is amended to add additional subdivisions to read as follows:

(3) Volunteers and registered volunteers shall be at least twenty-two (22) years of age.

(4) A volunteer or registered volunteer may not be a member of the board of directors of the school district or the spouse of a member of the board of directors of the school district in which he or she seeks to volunteer.

(5) A volunteer or a registered volunteer shall not receive payment for services rendered under this subchapter.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 6-22-107(b), concerning applicability, is amended to read as follows:

~~(b) The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to the following sports administered by the association~~ A volunteer or registered volunteer may act as a head coach in all varsity junior and senior high sports administered by the Arkansas Activities Association except in the following sports:

- (1) Football;
- (2) Basketball; and
- (3) Track and field.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 6-22-108 is amended to read as follows:
6-22-108. Construction.

~~None~~ Except as provided specifically under this subchapter, none of the provisions of this chapter prohibits a school district from utilizing the services of the volunteers who operate under the supervision of licensed school personnel.

/s/D. Sanders