

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

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92nd General Assembly

# A Bill

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HOUSE BILL 1015

By: Representatives J. Mayberry, Lowery

By: Senator M. Johnson

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN ELECTIVE JOURNALISM COURSE TO BE OFFERED EACH SCHOOL YEAR AT A PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT SERVES STUDENTS IN GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE (9-12); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO REQUIRE AN ELECTIVE JOURNALISM COURSE TO BE OFFERED EACH SCHOOL YEAR AT A PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT SERVES STUDENTS IN GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE (9-12).

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:

6-16-151. Journalism course required to be offered.

(a) A public school that serves students in grades nine through twelve (9-12) shall offer an elective journalism course during the school year if at least fifteen (15) students request that the public school offer the elective journalism course.

(b) The State Board of Education shall include a journalism course in the list of courses that may be offered by a public school that serves students in grades nine through twelve (9-12).

/s/J. Mayberry

