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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1617

By: Representatives Scott, Vaught

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT A PUBLIC SCHOOL OR OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL ADOPT A POLICY THAT ADDRESSES TEEN DATING VIOLENCE; TO REQUIRE THAT A PUBLIC SCHOOL OR OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL INCLUDE IN ITS POLICY GUIDELINES THAT ADDRESS ALLEGED INCIDENTS OF TEEN DATING VIOLENCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO REQUIRE THAT A PUBLIC SCHOOL ADOPT A POLICY THAT ADDRESSES TEEN DATING VIOLENCE; AND TO REQUIRE THAT SUCH A POLICY INCLUDE GUIDELINES THAT ADDRESS ALLEGED INCIDENTS OF TEEN DATING VIOLENCE.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 18, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-18-110. Teen dating violence policy.

(a) Each public school district or open-enrollment public charter school shall adopt a specific policy that addresses teen dating violence in public schools or open-enrollment public charter schools.

(b) A policy under subsection (a) of this section shall:

(1) Clearly state that teen dating violence is not tolerated;

and



(2) Include guidelines for addressing alleged incidents of teen dating violence.