

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

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1197

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT SCHEDULING, HOSTING, OR REQUIRING AN OUTDOOR PRACTICE, SCRIMMAGE, GAME, OR ACTIVITY FOR AN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY DURING THE HOURS WHEN AN EXCESSIVE HEAT WARNING HAS BEEN DECLARED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO PROHIBIT SCHEDULING, HOSTING, OR REQUIRING AN OUTDOOR PRACTICE, SCRIMMAGE, GAME, OR ACTIVITY FOR AN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY DURING THE HOURS WHEN AN EXCESSIVE HEAT WARNING HAS BEEN DECLARED.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 18, Subchapter 7, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-18-724. Extracurricular activity – Limitations on participation.

(a) As used in this section, "extracurricular activity" means an intraschool or interschool activity that is not included in a regular curriculum, including without limitation an athletic activity, a fine arts program, a special interest club, or any other group that is subject to the rules of the Arkansas Activities Association.

(b) A public school shall not schedule, host, or otherwise require or incentivize a practice, scrimmage, game, or activity for an extracurricular activity outdoors during the hours for which the National Weather Service



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issues an excessive heat warning.

(c) This section does not apply if the practice, scrimmage, game, or activity for an extracurricular activity occurs in:

(1) Water; or

(2) A climate-controlled indoor facility.