

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 217

5 By: Senator G. Jeffress
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND § 6-18-207 TO LOWER THE AGE OF
10 ENROLLMENT IN KINDERGARTEN IN PUBLIC SCHOOL; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 ENROLLMENT IN KINDERGARTEN IN PUBLIC
16 SCHOOL.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-18-207(a), concerning the minimum age for
22 enrollment in public school, is amended to read as follows:

23 (a)(1)(A) For the 2008-2009 school year, ~~Students~~ students may enter
24 kindergarten in the public schools of this state if they will attain the age
25 of five (5) years on or before ~~September 15~~ September 1, 2007;

26 (B) For the 2009-2010 school year, students may enter
27 kindergarten in the public schools of this state if they will attain the age
28 of five (5) years on or before August 15, 2008; and

29 (C) For the 2010-2011 school year and afterwards, students
30 may enter kindergarten in the public schools of this state if they will
31 attain the age of five (5) years on or before August 1 of the year in which
32 they are seeking initial enrollment.

33 (2) Any student who has been enrolled in a state-accredited or
34 state-approved kindergarten program in another state for at least sixty (60)
35 days, who will become five (5) years old during the year in which he is
36 enrolled in kindergarten, and who meets the basic residency requirement for



1 school attendance may be enrolled in kindergarten upon written request to the
2 school district.

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/s/ G. Jeffress