

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

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For An Act To Be Entitled

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11 AN ACT TO CREATE THE BABY OLIVIA ACT; AND FOR OTHER

12 PURPOSES.

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Subtitle

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TO CREATE THE BABY OLIVIA ACT.

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

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20 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-15-202(f)(46) and (47), concerning the*
21 *laws for which public school superintendents may be required to submit a*
22 *written statement of assurance that ensures compliance, is amended to read as*
23 *follows:*

24 *(46) Section 6-17-2803(7) and rules promulgated by the state*
25 *board concerning the required training and credentialing of evaluators under*
26 *the Teacher Excellence and Support System, § 6-17-2801 et seq.; and*

27 *(47) Section 6-16-1008 and § 6-18-703(a)(3)(A)(ii) concerning*
28 *requirements for certain human growth and development education; and*

29 *~~(47)~~(48) Any other statutory mandate for school districts*
30 *identified by the division as relevant to the Standards for Accreditation of*
31 *Arkansas Public Schools and School Districts.*

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33 *SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 16, Subchapter 10, is*

34 *amended to add an additional section to read as follows:*

35 *6-16-1008. Human growth and development education.*

36 *(a) As used in this section, "human growth and development discussion"*



1 means an oral, written, or digital lesson, lecture, or presentation regarding
2 human biology as it relates to pregnancy and human development inside the
3 womb.

4 (b)(1) Each public school district and open-enrollment public charter
5 school shall incorporate a human growth and development discussion into an
6 existing health and safety course beginning in the fifth grade.

7 (2) The human growth and development discussion required by
8 subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall include:

9 (A) A high-definition ultrasound video that is at least
10 three (3) minutes in duration, which shows the brain, heart, sex organs, and
11 other vital organs in early fetal development; and

12 (B) The "Meet Baby Olivia" video developed by Live Action,
13 which depicts the process of fertilization and every stage of human
14 development inside the uterus and notes significant markers in cell growth
15 and organ development for every significant marker of pregnancy until birth.

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17 *SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 6-18-703(a)(3), concerning information and*
18 *services provided by school-based health clinics that offer sex education, is*
19 *amended to read as follows:*

20 (3)(A) Schools that offer sex education in school-based health
21 clinics shall include ~~instruction~~:

22 (i) ~~Instruction~~ in sexual abstinence,; and ~~no funds~~

23 (ii) A human growth and development discussion, as
24 defined in § 6-16-1008(a), which shall include:

25 (a) A high-definition ultrasound video that is
26 at least three (3) minutes in duration depicting the brain, heart, sex
27 organs, and other vital organs in early fetal development; and

28 (b) The "Meet Baby Olivia" video developed by
29 Live Action, which depicts the process of fertilization and every stage of
30 human development inside the uterus and notes significant markers in cell
31 growth and organ development for every significant marker of pregnancy until
32 birth.

33 (B) Funds shall not be utilized for abortion referral.

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35 *SECTION 4. DO NOT CODIFY. Title.*

36 *This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Baby Olivia Act".*

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