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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1646

5 By: Representative McGrew
6 By: Senator M. McKee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT CONCERNING KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE FIVE
10 LIBRARY MEDIA CENTERS; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN MATERIALS
11 TO BE STORED IN LOCKED ROOMS WITHIN A DESIGNATED
12 AREA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 TO REQUIRE CERTAIN MATERIALS TO BE
17 STORED IN LOCKED ROOMS WITHIN A
18 DESIGNATED AREA.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 25, Subchapter 1, is amended
23 to add an additional section to read as follows:

24 6-25-107. Certain materials limited.

25 (a) A kindergarten through grade five (K-5) library media center shall
26 store any material that concerns an individual's sexuality, including without
27 limitation a book or other resource that is located in the library media
28 center that is available to the public, in a locked room within a designated
29 area.

30 (b) A kindergarten through grade five (K-5) library media center shall
31 not allow a student enrolled in the school to view or check out a book or
32 other resource that concerns sexuality and that is stored in a locked room
33 within a designated area unless the library media center receives prior
34 written approval from the student's parent, legal guardian, or person
35 standing in loco parentis to the student.

36 (c)(1) An allegation of noncompliance with this section shall be



1 referred to the Professional Licensure Standards Board by filing a formal
2 complaint.

3 (2) The State Board of Education shall take the following
4 actions based on a recommendation from the Professional Licensure Standards
5 Board:

6 (A) For an individual who is found to be noncompliant with
7 this section the first time, the individual shall receive a written reprimand
8 and his or her teaching license shall be suspended; and

9 (B) For an individual who is found to be noncompliant with
10 this section a second time, the individual shall have his or her license
11 teaching revoked.

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