1	State of Arkansas
2	95th General Assembly A Bill
3	Regular Session, 2025SENATE BILL 515
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5	By: Senators J. Petty, J. Boyd, F. Love
6	By: Representatives Nazarenko, Gramlich, Hall, Puryear
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled
9	AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HISTORY UNIT REQUIREMENT
10	IN PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS; TO
11	REQUIRE THAT A UNIT DEDICATED TO ARKANSAS VETERANS
12	AND THEIR FAMILIES BE INCLUDED WITHIN EXISTING
13	ARKANSAS HISTORY COURSE CONTENT GUIDELINES; AND FOR
14	OTHER PURPOSES.
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17	Subtitle
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19	ARKANSAS VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES BE
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21	HISTORY COURSE CONTENT GUIDELINES.
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23	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-16-124, concerning the requirement that a
26	unit of Arkansas history be taught at each elementary grade level in each elementary school and for one full semester in every secondary school, is
27 28	amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:
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29 30	(c)(1) Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, the division, in
31	consultation with veterans' organizations, shall develop and implement a unit
32	within existing Arkansas history course content guidelines under this section that is dedicated to veterans and their families.
33	(2) The unit required under subdivision (c)(1) of this section
34	shall include without limitation:
35	(A) The history of Arkansas veterans who served in various
36	national and international military conflicts;



1	(B) The contributions and sacrifices of Arkansas veterans
2	and their families;
3	(C) Personal accounts from Arkansas veterans and their
4	families that discuss the social, emotional, and economic impact that serving
5	the United States has on Arkansas veterans and their families; and
6	(D) The challenges faced by Arkansas veterans and their
7	families upon a veteran's return to civilian life.
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