

1 State of Arkansas

2 BOYS' STATE

3 Boys State, 2021

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5 By: Representative Evans

6 By: Senator T. Garner

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1002

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROVIDE LIFE SKILLS TRAINING IN PUBLIC
10 SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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Subtitle

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TO PROVIDE LIFE SKILLS TRAINING IN PUBLIC
15 SCHOOLS.

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

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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 16, Subchapter 1, is amended
21 to add an additional section to read as follows:

22 6-16-152. Life skills training course.

23 (a) Beginning in the 2021-2022 school year, all public school
24 districts and public charter schools shall offer students at least one (1)
25 life skills training course that meets or exceeds the curriculum standards
26 and requirements established by the State Board of Education.

27 (b) Beginning with the entering eleventh grade class of the 2021-2022
28 school year, each high school student enrolled in grades eleven (11) or
29 twelve (12) shall be required to complete at least one (1) life skills
30 training course for credit in order to graduate.

31 (c) A life skills training course provided by public school districts
32 and public charter schools shall include without limitation information
33 about:

34 (1) Tax preparation;

35 (2) Creating a personal budget;

36 (3) Money management;

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(4) Job interview skills; and

(5) Understanding debt and credit.

(d) The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules to implement this section.