

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
84th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2003  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 242**  
"AN ACT TO REQUIRE ALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC  
SCHOOL CHOICE."  
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**Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 242.**

Amend Senate Bill No. 242 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 24, delete "hereby" and substitute "~~hereby~~"

AND

Page 3, line 22, delete "from the" and substitute "from any place in the resident district to the"

AND

Page 4, line 2, delete "all districts within a county" and substitute "~~all districts within a county~~"

AND

Page 4, line 3, delete "have voted to participate in choice, if" and substitute "~~have voted to participate in choice, if~~"

AND

Page 5, line 21, insert the following:

"SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the Arkansas Constitution requires that all students be afforded an equal opportunity for an adequate education; that the General Assembly has chosen public school choice as one of the methods for providing equal opportunity, and that this act is immediately necessary to have school choice in place prior to the beginning to the 2003-2004 school year and before the end of the court stay. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

- (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;
- (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,



the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and \_\_\_\_\_

By: Senator Argue  
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Secretary