

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

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 319

"AN ACT FOR THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH DISBURSING OFFICER -
JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2003-
2005 BIENNIUM. "

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 319.

Amend Senate Bill No. 319 as originally introduced:

Page 1, lines 13 and 14, delete "FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2005"

AND

Page 1, lines 22 and 23, delete "FOR THE 2003-05 BIENNIUM"

AND

Page 1, line 30 and 31, delete "Department of Education Fund Account" and substitute "Arkansas State Building Services Maintenance Fund"

AND

Page 1, line 32 delete "for the biennial period ending June 30, 2005,"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 21 through 28 in their entirety and substitute the following:

"effectiveness of this Act on the date of its passage and approval is essential due to the recent Arkansas Supreme Court ruling that the State has not fulfilled its constitutional duty to provide the children of this state with a general, suitable, and efficient school funding system; and the Arkansas Supreme Court has ruled that the k-12 public school system in Arkansas is neither equitable nor adequate; and in its decision the Arkansas Supreme Court provided a stay to the issuance of its mandate only until January 1, 2004 to give the state time to chart a new course for public education in this state; and that in order to initiate substantial progress towards implementing a constitutional public k-12 school system the effectiveness of this Act on the date of its passage and approval is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond the date of its passage and approval could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in



full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval. If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house overrides the veto." .

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

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