

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

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**Subtitle of House Bill No. 1109**  
"THE PUBLIC EDUCATION REORGANIZATION ACT."  
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**Amendment No. 4 to House Bill No. 1109.**

Amend House Bill No. 1109 as originally introduced:

Add Representatives Clemons and Sullivan as sponsors.

AND

Page 2, delete lines 15 and 16 and substitute the following:  
"population in the resulting school district that came from each affected school district."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 25 and 26 and substitute the following:  
"or more school districts to create a new single school district with one (1) administrative unit and one (1) board of directors that is not required to close school facilities."

AND

Page 3, on line 20, delete "and"

AND

Page 3, delete line 27 and substitute the following:  
"result of administrative annexation; and"

AND

Page 4, on line 22 delete "state board of" and substitute "state board for"

AND

Page 4, on line 23, delete "or annexed"

AND



Page 4, on line 27, delete "or annex"

AND

Page 4, on line 32, delete "consolidation" and substitute "consolidation or annexation"

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Page 4, on line 34, delete "consolidation" and substitute "consolidation or annexation"

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Page 4, on line 35, delete "consolidation" and substitute "consolidation or annexation"

AND

Page 5, delete line 2 and substitute:  
"under this subchapter shall be administratively consolidated"

AND

Page 5, on line 3, delete "annexed"

AND

Page 5, on line 11, delete "§ 26-80-111" and substitute "§ 6-13-1409"

AND

Page 5, delete line 14 and substitute:  
"(f) No school facility in a school district included in the consolidation list required by § 6-13-1602 shall be closed by the state board or a local"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 30 through 33 and substitute:  
"(i) Noncontiguous school districts may voluntarily consolidate if:  
    (1)(A) The facilities and physical plant of each school district are within the same county; and  
        (B) The state board approves the administrative consolidation; or  
    (2)(A) The facilities and physical plant of each school district are not within the same county; and  
        (B) The state board approves the administrative consolidation or annexation and finds that:  
        (i) The consolidation or annexation will result in

the overall improvement in the educational benefit to students in all of the school districts involved; or

(ii) The consolidation or annexation will provide a significant advantage in transportation costs or service to all of the school districts involved."

AND

Page 6, on line 9, delete "§ 6-13-1603;" and substitute "§ 6-13-1603 by July 1, 2005;"

AND

Page 6, on line 21, delete "national lunch" and substitute "national school lunch"

AND

Page 6, on line 28, delete "consolidated" and substitute "consolidated or annexed"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 32 through 34 and substitute:  
"State Treasurer and the Auditor of the State the sum of thirty-seven million ninety-seven thousand five hundred sixty dollars (\$37,097,560) from funds received from the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief"

AND

Page 7, delete lines 6 through 12 and substitute:

"(a) "Isolated school" means a school within a school district that:  
(1) Prior to administrative consolidation or annexation under this act qualified as an isolated school district under § 6-20-601; and  
(2) Is subject to administrative consolidation or annexation under this act.

(b) Any isolated school within a resulting or receiving district shall remain open.

(c) Funding for isolated school districts shall be expended by the resulting or receiving district only on the operation, maintenance, and other expenses of the isolated schools within the resulting or receiving district."

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

By: Senator Bryles

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Secretary