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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 42

"THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING ACT OF 2003."

Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill No. 42.

Amend Senate Bill No. 42 as engrossed, S1/6/04 (version: 01-06-2004 13:21):

Page 5, delete line 31 and substitute:

"by the General Assembly and Title 6 of the Arkansas Code;

(19) "Secondary vocational area center" means a public secondary vocational institution organized for the specific purpose of educating high school students in specific occupational or vocational areas and serving students from more than one (1) participating school district;"

AND

Page 5, on line 32 delete "(19)" and substitute "(20)"

AND

Page 6, on line 2 delete "(20)" and substitute "(21)"

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Page 6, on line 8 delete "(21)" and substitute "(22)"

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Page 6, on line 18 delete "(22)" and substitute "(23)"

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Page 6, on line 21 delete "(23)" and substitute "(24)"

AND

Page 6, on line 25, delete "(24)" and substitute "(25)"

AND



Page 7, delete lines 13 through 18 and substitute:

"(2)(A) For the 2004-2005 school year, alternative learning environmental funding and secondary vocational area center funding shall be three thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$3,250) multiplied times:

(i) The number of identified alternative learning environment students enrolled during the 2003-2004 school year; and

(ii) The number of students enrolled in a secondary vocational area center during the 2003-2004 school year;

(B) Funding for students in alternative learning environments shall be distributed based on rules promulgated by the State Board of Education.

(C) Funding for students in secondary vocational area centers shall be distributed based on rules promulgated by the State Board of Workforce Education and Community Opportunities."

AND

Page 8, delete lines 21 through 23 and substitute:

"social workers, nurses, and curriculum specialists;

(e) Parent education;

(f) Summer programs;

(g) Early intervention programs; and

(h) Materials, supplies, and equipment

including technology used in approved programs or for approved purposes."

AND

Page 8, delete line 29 and substitute:

"for other academic programs or salaries.

(iii) The department may direct that a school district expend available funds on specified programs under subsection (b)(4)(C)(i) of this section."

AND

Page 9, delete line 31 and substitute:

"permitted by the department.

(f) In order for a school district to be entitled to state funds under the provisions of this subchapter, each school district shall satisfy the following requirements:

(1) Expenditures for any fiscal year shall not exceed the legal revenues for that year;

(2) The school district shall maintain records and make reports relative to attendance, receipts, and disbursements and other reports as required by the department for the administration of this subchapter;

(3) The school district shall maintain proper financial records in accordance with the state's school accounting manual and regulations promulgated by the state board.

(4)(A) Each year the school district shall file with the state board a salary schedule for its certified employees that recognizes a minimum level of training and experience.

(B) The schedule shall reflect the actual pay practices of

the school district, including all fringe benefits.

(C) Salary increments for experience or education, or both, shall be identified on the schedule;

(5)(A) All pupil attendance records shall be kept in their original form and shall be public records.

(B) The records shall be kept according to law and regulations on paper or electronic forms either furnished or approved by the department.

(C) Original attendance records shall be kept on file in the office of the superintendent of the school district after the school term has ended for a period of three (3) years and shall be available for monitoring purposes during any day of the school term by the teachers or other persons designated to keep attendance."

AND

Page 11, on line 3, delete "percent"

AND

Page 11, on line 4, delete "(0.15%) and substitute "(0.15)"

AND

Page 11, on line 23, delete "August 15" and substitute "September 1"

AND

Page 11, delete lines 31 and 32

AND

Page 12, delete lines 19 and 20 and substitute:

"state board. An annual record shall be filed by September 1 of each year within the"

AND

Page 12, delete lines 23 and 24 and substitute:

"the department determine that the financial records of any school district are not"

AND

Page 12, delete line 32 and substitute:

"to school districts. The Division of Legislative Audit may assist the auditors of the department upon request of the department."

AND

Page 15, on line 14, delete "request" and substitute "receive"

AND

Page 16, delete lines 2 through 4 and substitute:

"(b)(1) A school district board of directors is authorized to reimburse the actual expenses of a person required to obtain training under this section."

AND

Page 16, on line 29, delete "§ 6-22-2008" and substitute "§ 6-20-2008"

AND

Page 18, delete lines 4 through 7 and substitute:

"(1) "Basic contract" means a teacher employment contract for one hundred and ninety (190) days that includes ten (10) days of professional development. The provisions of § 6-17-807 shall apply to require a school district to increase teacher pay proportionately if the school district's normal base contract period exceeds one hundred and ninety (190) days."

AND

Page 18, delete lines 9 through 14 and substitute:

"(A) An individual who is required to hold a teaching license from the department and who is engaged directly in instruction with students in a classroom setting for more than seventy percent (70%) of the individual's contracted time;
(B) A guidance counselor; or
(C) A librarian."

AND

Page 18, delete lines 17 through 36

AND

Page 19, delete lines 1 through 16 and substitute:

"(a) The board of directors in each school district in the state shall pay classroom teachers upon a minimum salary schedule that provides:

(1) Annual increments for education and experience;
(2) A base salary; and
(3) A minimum salary for a teacher with a master's degree and at least fifteen (15) years of experience.

(b) In school year 2004-2005, each school district in the state shall have in place a salary schedule that includes the following:

(1) A base salary of at least twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$27,500) for teachers with a bachelor's degree and no experience;
(2) A base salary of at least thirty-one thousand six hundred twenty-five dollars (\$31,625) for teachers with a master's degree and no experience; and
(3) Unless the school district's present salary schedule exceeds the minimum requirements of this subsection (b), provision for at least

fifteen (15) annual increments for experience of:

(A) Four hundred fifty dollars (\$450) for a bachelor's degree; and

(B) Five hundred dollars (\$500) for a master's degree.

(c) For purposes of the salary schedules described in this section, the teacher's experience shall be his or her total years in any school district in the state and shall not be based only upon the years in the school district in which he or she is currently employed."

The Amendment was read _____

By: Representative King

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