Hall of the House of Representatives

85th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2005 **Amendment Form**

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1734

"AN ACT TO MANDATE EYE AND VISION SCREENING PROCEDURES AND TESTS FOR CHILDREN."

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1734.

Amend House Bill No. 1734 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 27 through 30 and substitute the following: "(a)(1) Beginning with the 2005-2006 school year, all children in prekindergarten (pre-K), kindergarten (k), grades one (1), two (2), four (4), six (6), and eight (8), and all transfer students shall receive an eye and vision screening. This requirement applies to public school and charter schools. Nothing in this Act shall preclude voluntary screening of any educational grade or preclude the referral of any child regardless of grade whom the teacher or school nurse feels should be screened or examined."

AND

Page 1, delete line 36 and substitute the following: "Eye and Vision Care of School Age Children and the Department of Education:"

AND

Page 2, delete line 3 and substitute the following: "twenty feet (20') or a kindergarten chart at ten feet (10') outside a vision screening instrument;"

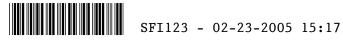
Page 2, delete line 5 and substitute the following: "twenty feet (20') or a kindergarten chart at ten feet (10') outside a vision screening instrument; and"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 20 and 21 and substitute the following:

"(3) The report shall be mailed or given directly to the parent or guardian by the appropriate school personnel and shall comply with all applicable privacy laws."

AND



Page 2, delete lines 24 and 25 and substitute the following:
 "(a)(1) A child who does not pass the eye and vision screening tests,

except for the color perception test, shall be required to have a comprehensive eye and vision examination conducted by an"

AND

Page 2, delete line 34 and substitute the following:

"Education. The local school district and the Department of Education shall take such action that is"

AND

Page 3, delete line 9 and substitute the following: <u>developed by the Department of Education in conjunction with the</u> <u>Arkansas Commission on Eye and Vision Care of School Age</u>"

AND

Page 5, delete line 17 and substitute the following:
 "(g) The commission and the Department of Education shall evaluate and
approve the vision screening"

The Amendment was read _____ By: Representative S. Prater SFI/VLH - 02-23-2005 15:17 SFI123

Chief Clerk