

1 **State of Arkansas**
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4 **By: Representative Thicksten**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED §§6-20-307 AND 6-
9 20-319 TO WAIVE ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES FOR SALARIES AND
10 BENEFITS REQUIRED UNDER TITLE 6, CHAPTER 20, SUBCHAPTER 3
11 BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT PAYING QUALIFIED CERTIFIED PERSONNEL
12 AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO EIGHTY PERCENT (80%) OF THE DISTRICTS_
13 NET CURRENT REVENUE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

16 "TO WAIVE ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS
17 PAYING CERTIFIED PERSONNEL AT LEAST 80% OF THE NET CURRENT
18 REVENUE."

20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code §6-20-307(c) is hereby amended to read as
23 follows:

24 "(c) For each school year, each district in the state shall pay its
25 qualifying certified personnel an amount at least equal to seventy percent
26 (70%) of its net current revenue. Whenever a school district pays its
27 qualifying certified personnel an amount equal to eighty percent (80%) of its
28 net current revenue, no additional expenditures of salaries and benefits shall
29 be required under the provisions of this subchapter.

30 (1) Gross current revenue shall consist of the following items:

31 (A) All property taxes actually collected including the
32 forty percent (40%) pullback, delinquent taxes, excess commissions, and land
33 redemption;

34 (B) Revenue from any local government or in lieu of tax
35 donations;

- 1 (C) Tuition from all sources;
 - 2 (D) County apportionment, severance taxes;
 - 3 (E) Sixteenth (16th) section rents;
 - 4 (F) All unrestricted state aid; and
 - 5 (G) All unrestricted federal revenue including P. L. 81-874
- 6 categories A and B, forest reserve, wildlife refuge, flood control, mineral
7 leases, federal grazing, and any other revenue that may be considered as in
8 lieu of tax payments.

9 (2) Net current revenue shall be the gross current revenue as
10 defined in subsection (c)(1) of this section less the following amounts:

- 11 (A) State transportation aid;
- 12 (B) Set aside for textbook program aid;
- 13 (C) The amount required to meet principal and interest on
14 the state revolving loan program;
- 15 (D) The amount required to meet principal and interest on
16 commercial bonds; and
- 17 (E) For school years 1991-92 through school year 1998-99,
18 the amounts required to meet the principal and interest payments on lease
19 purchase agreements, installment contracts, or postdated warrants which are
20 entered into, executed, or issued for the purchase of school buses on or after
21 July 1, 1991, to replace school buses constructed prior to April 1, 1977, may
22 be deleted from gross current revenue as defined in subdivision (c)(1) of this
23 section to determine net current revenue if during the preceding school year
24 the district expended all transportation aid funds for the operation of the
25 district's pupil transportation program, the purchase of school buses, and for
26 no other purpose, and if the interest rate on the installment contract or
27 lease purchase agreement is less than the interest on loans from the Revolving
28 Loan Fund."

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30 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code §6-20-319(4) is hereby amended to read as
31 follows:

32 "(4) (A) Each district in the state shall pay its certified personnel an
33 amount equal to at least seventy percent (70%) of its net current revenue.
34 But, when a school district pays its qualifying certified personnel an amount
35 equal to eighty percent (80%) of its net current revenue, no additional

1 expenditures of salaries and benefits shall be required under the provisions
2 of this subchapter. Not less than eighty percent (80%) of seventy percent
3 (70%) of each school district's increase in net current revenue over the net
4 current revenue received the previous school year less the total salary
5 expenditure required to fund additional certified personnel added to the staff
6 of the district in the school year shall be divided equally among the
7 certified personnel positions existing in the district in that year unless the
8 board of directors of the district and a majority of the teachers agree to a
9 different distribution. The eighty percent (80%) of the seventy percent (70%)
10 may be used to satisfy pay increases for experience and additional hours or
11 degrees under the district's salary schedule if:

12 (i) The school board adopts the changes in the salary
13 schedule for the next school year either ten (10) days before the last day of
14 pupil attendance or before contracts are issued to teachers whichever occurs
15 first in accordance with §6-17-201 et seq., and distributes the eighty percent
16 (80%) of the seventy percent (70%) equally among all certified personnel
17 positions; or

18 (ii) The board and a majority of the teachers agree to an
19 unequal distribution."
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21 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
22 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
23 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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25 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
26 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
27 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
28 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
29 act are declared to be severable.
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31 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
32 hereby repealed.
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