

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
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4 **By: Senator Chaffin**

A Bill

SENATE BILL 71

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED §§ 6-20-308 AND
9 6-12-207 TO PROVIDE THAT A COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY
10 UTILIZE STATE AND COUNTY FUNDS FOR THE MAINTENANCE,
11 CONSTRUCTION, AND RENOVATION OF BUILDINGS OWNED OR LEASED
12 BY THE COUNTY BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

14 "TO AUTHORIZE COUNTY BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO USE STATE AND
15 COUNTY FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE OF COUNTY
16 BOARD PROPERTY."

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

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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-20-308 is hereby amended to read
22 as follows:

23 "6-20-308. State contribution to county boards of education.

24 (a) The state shall contribute to the county boards of education each
25 year an amount equal to the state average salary paid classroom teachers in
26 the year preceding the year in which the payments are made.

27 (b) A classroom teacher shall be defined as one who devotes at least
28 half of the school day to teaching students.

29 (c) If a county does not employ a supervisor, the county board of
30 education, *with approval of the local school boards in the county*, may use all
31 or a portion of the funds authorized in this section for the maintenance,
32 construction, or renovation of buildings owned or leased by the county board
33 or may distribute all or a portion to the schools in the county on a per-child
34 basis in accordance with the actual ADM of the previous year. If clerical
35 work normally required to be done by a county office is in fact done by a

1 school district in the county, funds remaining after the cost of such clerical
2 work is removed may be used by the county board or allocated to the schools in
3 the county on the basis described above."

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5 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-12-207 is hereby amended to read
6 as follows:

7 "6-12-207. Salary and expenses.

8 (a) Each county board of education is authorized to determine, at its
9 discretion, the salary of the county school supervisor, or similar personnel
10 as authorized by law, and allowances for travel, clerical, office, and other
11 expenses.

12 (b) For this purpose the chairman shall call a meeting as early in June
13 each year as is practicable for the consideration of these matters.

14 (c) All allowances for office expense, travel, and clerical help shall
15 be based upon detailed budgets submitted by the county school supervisor or
16 similar personnel and approved by the county board and the Director of General
17 Education.

18 (d) The county school supervisor or similar personnel, with the
19 approval of the county board and the Director of General Education, is
20 authorized to select such clerical and other assistants as are necessary.

21 (e) The allowances to the county school supervisor or similar
22 personnel, assistants, and members of the county board of education for travel
23 expense, meals, and hotels shall not be in excess of the allowance for state
24 employees.

25 (f) Except for the state's contribution to the county supervisor's or
26 similar personnel's salary, all funds provided herein shall be set aside from
27 the unapportioned county general school fund to a special fund by the county
28 treasurer. Payments from this special fund shall be made only upon
29 presentation of invoice statements, itemized expense accounts, and payrolls
30 upon vouchers signed by the county school supervisor and the chairman of the
31 county board when vouchers properly executed are presented to the county clerk
32 and approved by the county school supervisor and the chairman of the county
33 board.

34 (g) (1) The state's contribution to each county supervisor's or similar
35 personnel salary shall be the amount of the allowance for teachers of

1 comparable training provided in the formula used by the Department of
2 Education in distributing the State Teachers Salary Fund.

3 (2) The state's share of the salary shall be paid in twelve (12)
4 monthly installments by warrants drawn upon the School Supervision Fund by the
5 disbursing agent of the State Board of Education.

6 (3) The State Board of Education shall withhold any salary
7 payment if the county school supervisor or similar personnel fails to meet the
8 requirements of the State Board of Education for county school supervision and
9 administration or fails to file all reports or to discharge all duties
10 required by law or the regulations of the State Board of Education.

11 (h) If a county board of education does not employ a county supervisor,
12 as authorized by law, the county board may use all or a portion of the funds
13 provided herein for the maintenance, construction, and renovation of buildings
14 owned or leased by the county board of education."

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16 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
17 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
18 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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20 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
21 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
22 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
23 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
24 act are declared to be severable.

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26 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
27 hereby repealed.

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29 /s/Senator Chaffin

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