

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1987

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5 By: Representative Hutchinson  
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 6-20-402 TO ALLOW  
10 SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO FINANCE ENERGY CONSERVATION  
11 MEASURES FOR UP TO TWENTY (20) YEARS; AND FOR  
12 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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14 **Subtitle**

15 TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 6-20-402 TO  
16 ALLOW SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO FINANCE ENERGY  
17 CONSERVATION MEASURES FOR UP TO TWENTY  
18 (20) YEARS.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-20-402(b)(1) is amended to read as  
24 follows:

25 (b)(1)(A)(i) ~~Postdated~~ Except as provided in subdivision (b)(1)(B) of  
26 this section, postdated warrants, lease purchase agreements, and installment  
27 contracts must be paid within ten (10) years of the date of issuance of the  
28 postdated warrant, or the execution of the written lease purchase agreement  
29 or installment contract, as the case may be.

30 (ii) Postdated warrants, lease purchase agreements,  
31 and installment contracts must be registered, on forms provided by the State  
32 Board of Education, with the treasurer of the district and the board.

33 (B)(i) A school district's acquisition of energy  
34 conservation measures as provided by § 6-20-405 may be financed by the school  
35 district over a fifteen-year period after the execution by the school  
36 district of the postdated warrants, lease-purchase agreement, or installment



1 contract.

2 (ii) If the energy conservation measures that the  
3 school district seeks to acquire, involve, or include water-source, ground  
4 loop, or other geothermal systems, high efficiency gas heating systems, gas  
5 engine driven or absorption cooling systems, desiccant dehumidification  
6 equipment, or equipment used to produce electricity, the energy conservation  
7 measures may be financed by the school district over a twenty-year period  
8 after the execution by the school district of the postdated warrants, lease-  
9 purchase agreement, or installment contract.

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11 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-20-402(b)(3) is amended to read as  
12 follows:

13 (3)(A) The Except as provided in subdivision (b)(3)(B) of this  
14 section, the unpaid principal amount of postdated warrants issued and  
15 installment contracts and lease-purchase agreements entered into shall be a  
16 part of the total debt of the district as limited by §§ 6-20-803 and 6-20-  
17 1202, with the district fiscal officer and his surety liable for exceeding  
18 the limitations.

19 (B) The unpaid principal amount of postdated warrants,  
20 installment contracts, or lease-purchase agreements entered into in  
21 connection with a guaranteed energy savings contract authorized under § 6-20-  
22 405 shall not be a part of the total debt of the district.

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24 /s/ Hutchinson  
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