

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.

1 State of Arkansas
2 84th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2003

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2882

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5 By: Representative Cleveland
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 TO CREATE THE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON MATH
10 EXCELLENCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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13 TO CREATE THE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON
14 MATH EXCELLENCE.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. (a) There is created a commission to be known as the
20 "Advisory Commission on Math Excellence".

21 (b) The commission shall consist of six (6) members as follows:

22 (1) Two (2) members of the business community appointed by the
23 Governor;

24 (2) Two (2) members who are involved in vocational technical
25 education appointed by President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and

26 (3) Two (2) members involved in the education of high school
27 students appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

28 (c) The Governor shall name one (1) of the commissions' members
29 to serve as chair of the commission.

30 (d) If a vacancy occurs in an appointed position for any reason, the
31 vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

32 (e)(1) The commission shall meet upon call of the chair of the
33 commission.

34 (2) Three (3) members of the commission shall constitute a
35 quorum for the purpose of transacting business.

36 (3) A quorum is required for any action of the commission.



1 (f)(1) The commission shall review various curricula for math
 2 education of students in grades kindergarten through twelve (K-12) and adopt
 3 standards for grades kindergarten through twelve (K-12) math for the State of
 4 Arkansas subject to approval of the Department of Education and the State
 5 Board of Education.

6 (2) The commission shall advise the Department of Education and
 7 the State Board of Education on methods to improve the consistency and
 8 continuity of math education in the State of Arkansas to the actual
 9 instruction in classrooms with state standards and curricula frameworks based
 10 upon the adopted standards which may include the adoption of statewide math
 11 textbooks.

12 (g) If the Department of Education fails to adopt the standards
 13 recommended by the commission to the Department of Education shall state in
 14 writing all the department's and the board's objection to the standards and
 15 reasons for not implementing.

16 (h) The Department of Education shall provide office space and staff
 17 assistance to the Advisory Commission on Math Excellence.

18 (i)(1) The members of the Advisory Commission on Math Excellence shall
 19 serve without pay.

20 (2) All members of the commission may receive expense
 21 reimbursement in accordance with Arkansas Code § 25-16-902, to be paid by the
 22 Department of Education.

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