

A Bill

By: Representatives Boyd, Cleveland, Milligan, Jacobs, Seawel, Hathorn, House, Bennett, King, Fite, Weaver, Rankin, Adams, Berry, Gillespie, Norton, Mahony

By: Senators Gullett, Horn, Lavery, Wooldridge, J. Jeffress, Miller, J. Bookout, Broadway, Bisbee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

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

SECTION 1. (a) Upon the effective date of consolidation, annexation, or reorganization, the following school districts that received isolated funding in the 2003-2004 school year shall become isolated school areas for the sole purpose of receiving isolated funding and shall have a per student isolated funding amount as follows:

<u>County</u>	<u>School District</u>	<u>Per Student</u>
<u>Column A</u>	<u>Column B</u>	<u>Column C</u>
<u>Van Buren</u>	<u>Alread</u>	<u>2,219</u>
<u>Desha</u>	<u>Arkansas City</u>	<u>2,040</u>
<u>Randolph</u>	<u>Biggers-Reyno</u>	<u>763</u>
<u>Miller</u>	<u>Bright Star</u>	<u>916</u>
<u>Marion</u>	<u>Bruno Pyatt</u>	<u>329</u>



1	<u>Dallas</u>	<u>Carthage</u>	<u>1,938</u>
2	<u>Independence</u>	<u>Cord-Charlotte</u>	<u>235</u>
3	<u>Woodruff</u>	<u>Cotton Plant</u>	<u>733</u>
4	<u>Crittenden</u>	<u>Crawfordsville</u>	<u>642</u>
5	<u>Newton</u>	<u>Deer</u>	<u>853</u>
6	<u>Greene</u>	<u>Delaplaine</u>	<u>215</u>
7	<u>Desha</u>	<u>Delta Special</u>	<u>952</u>
8	<u>Nevada</u>	<u>Emmet</u>	<u>307</u>
9	<u>Sharp</u>	<u>Evening Shade</u>	<u>115</u>
10	<u>Ashley</u>	<u>Fountain Hill</u>	<u>339</u>
11	<u>Yell</u>	<u>Fourche Valley</u>	<u>1,603</u>
12	<u>Arkansas</u>	<u>Gillett</u>	<u>1,000</u>
13	<u>Lincoln</u>	<u>Gould</u>	<u>765</u>
14	<u>Lincoln</u>	<u>Grady</u>	<u>560</u>
15	<u>Polk</u>	<u>Hatfield</u>	<u>42</u>
16	<u>Monroe</u>	<u>Holly Grove</u>	<u>868</u>
17	<u>Arkansas</u>	<u>Humphrey</u>	<u>328</u>
18	<u>Union</u>	<u>Huttig</u>	<u>668</u>
19	<u>Cleveland</u>	<u>Kingsland</u>	<u>394</u>
20	<u>Madison</u>	<u>Kingston</u>	<u>661</u>
21	<u>Phillips</u>	<u>Lake View</u>	<u>1,054</u>
22	<u>Searcy</u>	<u>Leslie</u>	<u>628</u>
23	<u>Lawrence</u>	<u>Lynn</u>	<u>782</u>
24	<u>Columbia</u>	<u>McNeil</u>	<u>329</u>
25	<u>Union</u>	<u>Mount Holly</u>	<u>898</u>
26	<u>Newton</u>	<u>Mount Judea</u>	<u>622</u>
27	<u>Izard</u>	<u>Mount Pleasant</u>	<u>225</u>
28	<u>Johnson</u>	<u>Oark</u>	<u>1,576</u>
29	<u>Montgomery</u>	<u>Oden</u>	<u>671</u>
30	<u>Saline</u>	<u>Paron</u>	<u>733</u>
31	<u>Yell</u>	<u>Plainview-Rover</u>	<u>297</u>
32	<u>Franklin</u>	<u>Pleasant View</u>	<u>679</u>
33	<u>Randolph</u>	<u>Randolph County</u>	<u>444</u>
34	<u>Lawrence</u>	<u>River Valley</u>	<u>106</u>
35	<u>Stone</u>	<u>Rural Special</u>	<u>788</u>
36	<u>Searcy</u>	<u>Saint Joe</u>	<u>727</u>

1	<u>Madison</u>	<u>Saint Paul</u>	<u>123</u>
2	<u>Hempstead</u>	<u>Saratoga</u>	<u>1,407</u>
3	<u>Van Buren</u>	<u>Scotland</u>	<u>1,841</u>
4	<u>Dallas</u>	<u>Sparkman</u>	<u>487</u>
5	<u>Ouachita</u>	<u>Stephens</u>	<u>1</u>
6	<u>Stone</u>	<u>Stone County</u>	<u>367</u>
7	<u>Jackson</u>	<u>Swifton</u>	<u>458</u>
8	<u>Columbia</u>	<u>Taylor</u>	<u>353</u>
9	<u>Howard</u>	<u>Umpire</u>	<u>2,152</u>
10	<u>Union</u>	<u>Union</u>	<u>45</u>
11	<u>Columbia</u>	<u>Walker</u>	<u>819</u>
12	<u>Newton</u>	<u>Western Grove</u>	<u>375</u>
13	<u>Cleburne</u>	<u>Wilburn</u>	<u>978</u>
14	<u>Sharp</u>	<u>Williford</u>	<u>475</u>
15	<u>Washington</u>	<u>Winslow</u>	<u>494</u>

16

17 (b) Beginning with the 2004-2005 school year and each school year
 18 thereafter, state financial aid in the form of isolated funding shall be
 19 provided to school districts containing an isolated school area in an amount
 20 equal to the prior year three (3) quarter average daily membership of the
 21 isolated school area multiplied by the per student isolated funding amount
 22 for the isolated school areas as set forth under column "C" of subsection (a)
 23 of this section.

24 (c) No school district may receive isolated funding, under this
 25 section, for an isolated school area if the prior year three (3) quarter
 26 average daily membership of the isolated school area exceeds three hundred
 27 and fifty (350).

28 (d) A school district receiving isolated funding for an isolated
 29 school area shall expend the funds solely for the operation, maintenance, and
 30 support of the isolated school area.

31 (e) No school district or isolated school area which may qualify under
 32 other law to receive additional state aid because its average daily
 33 membership is less than three hundred fifty (350) shall be eligible to
 34 receive funding under this section except that a district qualifying under
 35 other law for such aid and qualifying for funds under this section may elect
 36 to receive funds under this section in lieu of aid under other.

