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5 By: Representatives Medley, Green
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As Engrossed: H12/23/03
A Bill

Call Item 4

HOUSE BILL 1043

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT TEACHERS RECEIVE A THIRTY-
10 MINUTE UNINTERRUPTED DUTY-FREE LUNCH PERIOD
11 DURING EACH STUDENT INSTRUCTIONAL DAY; AND FOR
12 OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

15 AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT TEACHERS RECEIVE A
16 THIRTY-MINUTE UNINTERRUPTED DUTY-FREE
17 LUNCH PERIOD DURING EACH STUDENT
18 INSTRUCTIONAL DAY.

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

23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-17-111(a), concerning teachers' duty-free
24 lunch period during each student instructional day, is amended to read as
25 follows:

26 (a)(1) ~~For a minimum of eighty percent (80%) of the student contact~~
27 ~~days, each~~ Each school district in this state shall provide ~~at least a~~
28 thirty-minute uninterrupted duty-free lunch period during each student
29 instructional day for each certified school employee in its employment.

30 (2) Any teacher not receiving a duty-free lunch ~~for a minimum of~~
31 ~~eighty percent (80%) of the student contact days shall receive an hourly per~~
32 ~~diem rate~~ period during each student instructional day as provided in
33 subdivision (a)(1) of this section shall be compensated at his or her hourly
34 rate of pay for each missed lunch period ~~unless the teacher waives his or her~~
35 ~~right to be compensated.~~

36 (3) Teachers who have collectively negotiated a contract through



1 a local teacher's association are exempt for the provisions of this
2 subsection (a).

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4 SECTION 2. This act shall be effective at the beginning of the 2004-
5 2005 school year.

6 /s/ Medley, et al
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