

1 State of Arkansas
2 84th General Assembly
3 Second Extraordinary Session, 2003
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Call Item 4

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1168

5 By: Representatives Thyer, Anderson, Bond, P. Bookout, Childers, Ferguson, Jeffrey, Lamoureux,
6 Ledbetter, Nichols, Petrus, Sullivan
7 By: Senator Womack
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For An Act To Be Entitled

11 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT SCHOOL DISTRICTS FROM USING
12 PUBLIC FUNDS TO PAY LEGAL FEES ASSOCIATED WITH
13 LITIGATION CHALLENGING ANY ACTS OF THE GENERAL
14 ASSEMBLY MEETING IN THE SECOND EXTRAORDINARY
15 SESSION OF 2003; TO PROVIDE THAT MONEY
16 APPROPRIATED IN THE SECOND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION
17 OF 2003 BE SPENT IN THE CLASSROOM AND NOT IN THE
18 COURTROOM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

21 TO PROHIBIT SCHOOL DISTRICTS FROM USING
22 PUBLIC FUNDS TO PAY LEGAL FEES
23 ASSOCIATED WITH LITIGATION CHALLENGING
24 ANY ACTS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING
25 IN THE SECOND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF
26 2003.
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29 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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31 SECTION 1. (a) A local school district shall not use, distribute, or
32 apply any state or local tax moneys, nor any other public funds, directly or
33 indirectly through any means including, without limitation, contributions to
34 a fund or organization, to pay any legal fees, expenses, or costs of court
35 associated with the filing and pursuit of any claim, litigation, or lawsuit
36 brought against the state challenging or arising out of any act passed by the



1 General Assembly meeting in the Second Extraordinary Session of 2003.

2 (b) This section shall not preclude school districts from expending
3 funds for complying with or enforcing provisions related to desegregation
4 litigation.

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6 SECTION 2. A local school district which files or pursues any claim,
7 litigation, or lawsuit against the state challenging or arising out of any
8 act passed by the General Assembly meeting in the Second Extraordinary
9 Session of 2003 shall not be eligible to receive consolidation incentive
10 funds under Act 60 of 2003.