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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1856

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS EARLY LITERACY
9 ASSESSMENT PROCUREMENT ACT; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT
10 OF EDUCATION TO CREATE A LIST OF UP TO THREE (3)
11 FORMATIVE ASSESSMENTS TO EVALUATE READING DEVELOPMENT
12 AND COMPREHENSION; TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS
13 TO PERIODICALLY ADMINISTER TO STUDENTS IN
14 KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE TWO (K-2) A FORMATIVE
15 ASSESSMENT FROM THE LIST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

18 TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS EARLY LITERACY
19 ASSESSMENT PROCUREMENT ACT.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 15, Subchapter 4, is amended
26 to add an additional section to read as follows:

27 6-15-442. Arkansas Early Literacy Assessment Procurement Act.

28 (a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Arkansas
29 Early Literacy Assessment Procurement Act".

30 (b) The Department of Education shall establish a request for
31 qualifications process to create a list of up to three (3) formative
32 assessments for public school districts to use to evaluate the reading
33 development and comprehension of students in kindergarten through grade two
34 (K-2).

35 (c)(1) A public school district shall periodically administer to all
36 students in kindergarten through grade two (K-2) a formative assessment



1 chosen from the list under subsection (a) of this section.

2 (2) The students administered the formative assessment under
3 subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall include students with disabilities
4 and English language learners.

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