

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 6-14-102 TO PROVIDE THAT WHEN A SCHOOL DISTRICT SUFFERS SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE TO ITS PHYSICAL FACILITIES FROM FIRE OR OTHER NATURAL DISASTER, THE SCHOOL BOARD MAY SET THE DATE OF THE NEXT ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 6-14-102 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"6-14-102. Annual election date. The annual school election shall be held in each school district of the state on the third Tuesday in September. Provided, however, when any school district in this state suffers damage to its physical facilities in an amount exceeding one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) as a result of fire or other natural disaster, the board of directors of the school district is hereby authorized to set the date of the next annual school election in that district."

SECTION 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Emergency. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that some school districts in this State have incurred substantial damage to their physical facilities as a result of fire and other natural disasters; that as a result there is a need for the next annual school election to be held on a date other than the third Tuesday in September as now required by law; and that this Act so provides. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

APPROVED: 2/5/88

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