

INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2007-002

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6 Referred to the
7 Education Committee - Senate
8 by the Arkansas Senate
9 on 03/05/2007
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13 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

14 REQUESTING, IN CONCORDANCE WITH THE 2006 ACT 57
15 ADEQUACY STUDY, THAT THE SENATE INTERIM COMMITTEE
16 ON EDUCATION AND THE HOUSE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON
17 EDUCATION CONDUCT A STUDY TO DETERMINE THE
18 ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF AN EXEMPLARY STATEWIDE
19 TEACHER SUPPORT SYSTEM AND THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF
20 EDUCATION PREPARE A PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTING AN
21 EXEMPLARY STATEWIDE TEACHER SUPPORT SYSTEM.
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23 **Subtitle**

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25 DETERMINE THE ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF AN
26 EXEMPLARY STATEWIDE TEACHER SUPPORT
27 SYSTEM AND REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF
28 EDUCATION TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR
29 IMPLEMENTATION.
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32 WHEREAS, a major factor in teacher retention is the need for improved
33 support for teachers in the areas of instructional strategies and curriculum
34 development for teachers; and
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36 WHEREAS, a teacher support system should provide support to teachers as



1 they develop more knowledge and skills in the use of data and instructional
2 strategies and should focus the training resources of the higher education
3 system toward development of the same needed skills for teachers; and
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5 WHEREAS, additional time is needed to conduct a study to determine the
6 essential components of an exemplary teacher support system and to implement
7 that system statewide,
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9 NOW THEREFORE,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
11 STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:
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13 THAT the Senate Interim Committee on Education and the House Interim
14 Committee on Education in conjunction with the Department of Education shall
15 conduct a study to determine what should be considered in developing an
16 Arkansas Teacher Support System that is an exemplary statewide system
17 incorporating under one umbrella:

- 18 (1) A center for professional development;
- 19 (2) Formative assessments;
- 20 (3) Teacher compensation issues;
- 21 (4) Higher education teacher preparation programs;
- 22 (5) School and district leadership development;
- 23 (6) Strategies for using instructional facilitators or coaches;

24 and

- 25 (7) Mentoring recommendations.

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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

28 THAT the Department of Education shall report its plan for the design
29 and implementation of the Arkansas Teacher Support System to the Senate
30 Interim Committee on Education and the House Interim Committee on Education
31 by May 1, 2008.
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