

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1993**  
4 **By: Representatives Pollan, Wilkins, and Argue**

# **A Bill**

**ACT 1287 OF 1993**  
**HOUSE BILL 2120**

## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT SCHOOL DISTRICTS SHALL NOT OPERATE  
9 ALTERNATIVE CLASSES OR SCHOOLS WITHOUT PROVIDING FOR  
10 STUDENT ASSESSMENTS AND *INTERVENTION SERVICES* DESIGNED TO  
11 ADDRESS SPECIFIC EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS;  
12 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## **Subtitle**

14 "TO REQUIRE SCHOOL DISTRICTS OPERATING ALTERNATIVE CLASSES  
15 OR SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE INDIVIDUAL STUDENT ASSESSMENT AND  
16 *INTERVENTION SERVICES*."  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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21 SECTION 1. (a) *As used in this Act, unless the context otherwise*  
22 *requires, "Intervention services" means activities within or outside a school*  
23 *that will eliminate traditional barriers to learning.*

24 (b) *An Arkansas school district electing to operate an alternative*  
25 *class or school should provide for*

26 (1) *Student assessment either before or upon entry into the class*  
27 *or school; and*

28 (2) *Intervention services designed to address the specific*  
29 *educational needs of individual students.*

30 (c) *A student assigned to an alternative class or school for behavioral*  
31 *reasons must receive intervention services designed to address the student\_s*  
32 *behavioral problems. Such intervention services shall not be punitive in*  
33 *nature but must be designed for long-term improvement of the student\_s ability*  
34 *to control his or her behavior.*

35 (d) *The Equity Assistance Center of the State Department of Education*  
36 *shall be responsible for ensuring that alternative classes and schools comply*

1 with the provisions of this act.

2 (e) A school district that does not comply with these provisions shall  
3 *be identified each year in the Arkansas Department of Education Annual School*  
4 *District Report Cards.*

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6 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
7 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
8 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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10 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
11 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
12 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
13 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
14 act are declared to be severable.

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16 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
17 hereby repealed.

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*/s/C. Pollan, et al*

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