

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **80th General Assembly**
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4 **By: Senator Scott**

A Bill

ACT 667 OF 1995
SENATE BILL 470

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE RESIDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT OF A
9 JUVENILE ADJUDICATED AS DELINQUENT AND ORDERED TO REMAIN
10 IN A DETENTION FACILITY TO REMIT *STATE FUNDS* TO THE
11 FACILITY FOR PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR DAYS THAT
12 THE JUVENILE SHOULD HAVE BEEN IN SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

16 "TO REQUIRE RESIDENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF
17 JUVENILES ADJUDICATED AS DELINQUENT AND
18 ORDERED TO REMAIN IN A DETENTION
19 FACILITY TO REMIT *STATE FUNDS* TO THE
20 FACILITY FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES TO THE
21 JUVENILE."

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

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25 SECTION 1. As used in this act, unless the context otherwise requires:
26 "Juvenile detention facility" means any facility operated by a political
27 subdivision of the State for the temporary care of juveniles alleged to be
28 delinquent, or adjudicated delinquent, who require secure custody in a
29 physically restricting facility. Under § 9-27-330(10), such facility must
30 provide educational and other rehabilitative services to adjudicated
31 delinquents who may be ordered by the court to remain in the juvenile
32 detention facility for an indeterminate period not to exceed ninety (90) days.

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34 SECTION 2. The State Department of Education and all local school
35 district administrators are hereby authorized and directed to cooperate with
36 officials responsible for the operation of juvenile detention facilities to

1 ensure that state funds for *special education set aside under § 6-20-313* shall
2 follow the students who are being held in these facilities so the students can
3 be afforded educational opportunities necessary for rehabilitation.

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5 SECTION 3. (a) Upon disposition by the juvenile court that an
6 adjudicated juvenile shall stay in a juvenile detention facility for any
7 period of time, the facility shall notify the juvenile's resident school
8 district of his whereabouts and, within five (5) days after the juvenile is
9 released, shall certify the detention dates to the district.

10 (b) The resident school district, within thirty (30) days after
11 receiving certification, shall remit *state funds* to the juvenile detention
12 facility for the days that the juvenile should have attended classes in the
13 district.

14 (c) If the amount of *state funds* due cannot be agreed upon by the
15 juvenile detention facility and the resident school district, an appeal shall
16 be made to the *State Department of Education*. All decisions rendered shall be
17 final.

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19 SECTION 4. *The State Department of Education shall issue regulations*
20 *for the effective implementation of this act, including the classification of*
21 *juvenile detention centers as approved residential treatment facilities under*
22 *§ 6-20-313 and the designation of the resident district of a student who is no*
23 *longer attending school in the district but is being held in a juvenile*
24 *detention center as responsible for educating the student for any period of*
25 *time the student is being held in the facility.*

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27 SECTION 5. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
28 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
29 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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31 SECTION 6. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
32 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
33 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
34 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
35 act are declared to be severable.

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SECTION 7. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

/s/Scott

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