Act 1445 of the Regular Session

1   State of Arkansas   *As Engrossed: H2/12/09 H2/19/09 H2/24/09*

2   87th General Assembly   A Bill

3   Regular Session, 2009   HOUSE BILL   1091

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5   By: Representative Sample

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8   **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9   AN ACT TO ALLOW A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF

10   DIRECTORS TO MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON AN

11   APPEAL OF THE SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION OF A PUBLIC

12   SCHOOL STUDENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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14   **Subtitle**

15   TO ALLOW A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF

16   DIRECTORS TO MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

17   ON AN APPEAL OF THE SUSPENSION OR

18   EXPULSION OF A STUDENT.

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

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23   *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-18-507(d), concerning the suspension or*

24   *expulsion of a public school student, is amended to read as follows:*

25   *(d)(1) A superintendent may recommend the expulsion of a student for*

26   *more than ten (10) days for violation of the school district's written*

27   *discipline policies, subject to appeal to the board of directors and to*

28   *requirements of the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.*

29   *(2)(A) After hearing all testimony and debate on a suspension,*

30   *expulsion, or appeal, the board of directors may consider its decision in*

31   *executive session without the presence of anyone other than the board*

32   *members.*

33   *(B) At the conclusion of an executive session, the board*

34   *of directors shall reconvene in public session to vote on the suspension,*

35   *expulsion, or appeal.*

1   (3) ~~All~~ <u>A</u> school district board of directors ~~meetings~~ <u>meeting</u>

2 entertaining an appeal shall be conducted in executive session if requested

3 by the parent or guardian of the student provided that after hearing all

4 testimony and debate, the board of directors shall conclude the executive

5 session and reconvene in public session to vote on such appeal.

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8   /s/ Sample

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10   *APPROVED: 4/10/2009*

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