|        | Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed<br>prior to this session of the General Assembly. |
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| _      | Act 1493 of the Regular Session   |
| 1      | State of ArkansasAs Engrossed: S3/23/09S3/25/0987th General AssemblyA Bill  |
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| 3      | Regular Session, 2009SENATE BILL999   |
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| 5      | By: Senator J. Jeffress   |
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| 7<br>8 | For An Act To Be Entitled   |
| 9      | AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSED PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE   |
| 10     | PERSONNEL POLICIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.   |
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| 13     | Subtitle  |
| 14     | AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSED PUBLIC SCHOOL  |
| 15     | EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL POLICIES.  |
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| 18     | BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:   |
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| 20     | SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-17-205 is amended to read as follows:  |
| 21     | 6-17-205. Organization and duties of committee.   |
| 22     | (a)(1) Each school district's committee on personnel policies shall   |
| 23     | organize itself in the first quarter of each school year and elect a chair  |
| 24     | and a secretary.  |
| 25     | (2) The committee shall develop a calendar of meetings  |
| 26     | throughout the year to review the school district's personnel policies in   |
| 27     | order to <u>:</u>   |
| 28     | (A) determine Determine whether additional policies or  |
| 29     | amendments to existing policies are needed <u>;</u>   |
| 30     | (B) Review any policies or changes to policies proposed by  |
| 31     | the board of directors;   |
| 32     | (C) Propose additional policies or amendments to the board  |
| 33     | of directors; and   |
| 34     | <u>(D)</u> <del>to review</del> <u>Review</u> any proposed distribution of a salary   |
| 35     | underpayment from previous years.   |



| 1  | (3) Minutes of the committee meetings shall be promptly reported  |
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| 2  | and distributed to members of the board of directors and posted in the  |
| 3  | buildings of the school district, including the administrative offices.                                       |
| 4  | (b)(l) Either the committee or the board of directors may propose new   |
| 5  | personnel policies or amendments to existing policies.  |
| 6  | (2) if the proposals by the board of directors have <u>New</u>  |
| 7  | personnel policies or amendments to existing personnel policies proposed by                                   |
| 8  | the board of directors may not be voted on by the board of directors as a                                     |
| 9  | school district policy unless the final form of the policy to be voted on has                                 |
| 10 | been submitted <u>as a proposed policy</u> to the committee <u>for consideration</u> at                       |
| 11 | least ten (10) working days <del>prior to presentation</del> <u>before the vote of</u> the                    |
| 12 | board of directors.   |
| 13 | <del>(2)</del> (3)(A) The superintendent may recommend any changes in   |
| 14 | personnel policies to the board of directors or to the personnel policies                                     |
| 15 | committee.  |
| 16 | <u>(B)</u> The recommendations <del>shall</del> may then become proposals <del>if</del>                       |
| 17 | <del>adopted by</del> <u>at the discretion</u> <u>of</u> either the board of directors or the                 |
| 18 | committee.  |
| 19 | (c) The chair of the committee or a committee member designated by the  |
| 20 | chair <del>will</del> shall be placed on the board of directors' agenda and shall have                        |
| 21 | the opportunity to orally present <u>to the board of directors</u> the committee's                            |
| 22 | comments, positions, or proposals on the final form of any proposed policies                                  |
| 23 | or amendments to existing policies <del>to the board of directors</del> , whether                             |
| 24 | proposed by the committee or the board of directors, before they are voted on                                 |
| 25 | by the board of directors as school district policies.  |
| 26 | (d) After the oral presentation to the board of directors, the board  |
| 27 | of directors <del>shall</del> <u>may</u> take <u>final</u> action <u>immediately</u> , but final action shall |
| 28 | be taken no later than its next regular board of directors meeting.   |
| 29 | (e) The board of directors <del>shall have the authority to</del> <u>may</u> adopt,                           |
| 30 | reject, or refer back to the committee on personnel policies for further                                      |
| 31 | study and revision any proposed policies or amendments to existing policies                                   |
| 32 | that are submitted to the board of directors for consideration by the   |
| 33 | committee.  |
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| 35 | /s/ J. Jeffress   |
| 36 | APPROVED: 4/10/2009   |
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