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5 By: Representative C. Douglas

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For An Act To Be Entitled

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AN ACT TO PROMOTE EFFICIENCY IN REPORTING BY A SCHOOL
DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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Subtitle

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TO PROMOTE EFFICIENCY IN REPORTING BY A
SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL.

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

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19 *SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative Intent.*

20 *The purpose of this act is to:*

21 *(1) Reduce duplicative reporting by school districts to the*

22 *Department of Education and the Department of Career Education; and*

23 *(2) Encourage quality data to be submitted to and reused by the*

24 *Department of Education and the Department of Career Education.*

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26 *SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 10, Subchapter 1, is amended*

27 *to add an additional section to read as follows:*

28 *6-10-126. Efficiency in reporting.*

29 *(a)(1)(A) The Department of Education or the Department of Career*

30 *Education may require a school district or public school to submit data and*

31 *other information deemed necessary to assure that a school district or public*

32 *school is in compliance with federal and state law and rule.*

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(B) A required submission may be made using the Arkansas

34 *Public School Computer Network, § 6-11-128 or another system specified by the*

35 *Department of Education or the Department of Career Education.*

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(2)(A) All divisions of the Department of Education and the



1 Department of Career Education shall have access to data and other
2 information that is submitted to the Department of Education or the
3 Department of Career Education respectively.

4 (B) An employee of the Department of Education or the
5 Department of Career Education or a contractor acting on behalf of the
6 Department of Education or the Department of Career Education may only access
7 data that is necessary to perform his or her duties.

8 (b) As used in this section "data and other information" that is
9 considered submitted includes information that is:

10 (1) Maintained by a school district or public school in E-
11 School, E-Finance, or the Arkansas Public School Computer Network Statewide
12 Information System;

13 (2) Contained in any statewide data system or successor
14 program; and

15 (3) Delivered to the Department of Education or the
16 Department of Career Education in paper format;

17 (c)(1) The Department of Education or the Department of Career
18 Education may require a school district or public school to resubmit or
19 explain data and other information if the data or other information is
20 determined to be inaccurate, incomplete, unclear, or not in compliance with
21 federal or state law or rule.

22 (2) Except as provided under subdivision (c)(1) of this section,
23 data and other information shall not have to be resubmitted or explained in
24 its original format or any other format.

25 (d) If the Department of Education or the Department of Career
26 Education requires data or other information to be compiled into a format
27 that is different from what was originally submitted by a school district or
28 public school the Department of Education or the Department of Career
29 Education shall make the necessary format changes.

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31 */s/C. Douglas*

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34 **APPROVED: 04/07/2015**