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By: Representative C. Douglas

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE
CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC FACILITY REVIEW
CONFERENCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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FACILITY REVIEW CONFERENCES.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-20-2515(a), concerning academic facility review conferences, is amended to read as follows:

(a) At least sixty (60) one hundred twenty (120) days before the application deadline, a district may request and be granted by the Division of Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation a review conference that shall be held within twenty (20) seventy-five (75) working days after the date of request.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-20-2515(c), concerning academic facilities review conferences, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The review conference shall consider the following:

(1) That the proposed project is academic;

(2) The application of the space calculation to be applied to the project agreed upon by the district and the division if approved;

(3) The preliminary wealth index of the district and the date at which the wealth index, subject to change when the annual update is
calculated, that will be applied to the partnership project if approved;

(4) The qualified project cost promulgated by the Commission for Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation under § 6-20-2509 for the project and the date on which the project cost data, subject to update no later than March 1 of the odd year, that will be applied to the partnership project if approved;

(5) A projected amount of state funding based on current application of the preliminary wealth index and the qualified project cost promulgated by the commission under § 6-20-2509 to the planned project for planning purposes, updated no later than March 1 of the odd year, to allow a projection of school district projection of local funding share required; and

(6) Whether or not the proposed application meets all of the technical requirements for partnership applications as set out in the application guidelines and rules provided by the division before each partnership application cycle.

/s/C. Douglas

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