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HOUSE BILL 1607

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10 For An Act To Be Entitled

11 AN ACT TO LIMIT THE USE OF AN ENGLISH LEARNER'S SCORE
12 ON A STATE-MANDATED ASSESSMENT FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL AND
13 PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY PURPOSES; AND
14 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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Subtitle

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TO LIMIT THE USE OF AN ENGLISH LEARNER'S
19 SCORE ON A STATE-MANDATED ASSESSMENT FOR
20 PUBLIC SCHOOL AND PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
21 ACCOUNTABILITY PURPOSES.

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

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26 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 10, Subchapter 1, is amended*
27 *to add an additional section to read as follows:*

28 *6-10-130. Use of English learner assessment scores.*

29 *(a) The score on statewide student assessments for an English learner*
30 *student:*

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(1) Shall not be counted for growth or achievement purposes in
32 *the accountability ratings of a public school or public school district if*
33 *the English learner student has been enrolled in a public school or private*
34 *school in the United States for less than twelve (12) months; and*

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(2) Shall be counted for growth purposes only and not for
36 *achievement purposes in the accountability ratings of a public school or*



1 public school district if the English learner student has been enrolled in a
2 public school or private school in the United States for at least twelve (12)
3 months but not more than twenty-four (24) months.

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