State of Arkansas

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A Bill

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SENATE BILL 589

By: Senator J. English

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF THE
DATA AND TRANSPARENCY PANEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF
THE DATA AND TRANSPARENCY PANEL.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 25-4-127(b)(3), concerning the creation and
duties of the Data and Transparency Panel, is amended to read as follows:

(3) The directors, or their designees, of the following
departments and offices:

(A) The Arkansas Crime Information Center;
(B) The Department of Arkansas State Police;
(C) The Department of Career Education;
(D) The Department of Community Correction;
(E) The Department of Correction;
(F) The Department of Education;
(G) The Department of Finance and Administration;
(H) The Department of Health;
(I) The Department of Higher Education;
(J) The Department of Human Services;
(K) The Department of Information Systems; and
(L) The Department of Labor;
(M) The Department of Workforce Services; and
(N) The Office of Skills Development;
SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 25-4-127(c), concerning the creation and duties of the Data and Transparency Panel, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The panel shall:

(1) Perform a feasibility and cost study on the development of a statewide data warehouse program;

(2) Evaluate and identify data to be included in the statewide data warehouse program;

(3) Determine and recommend procedures necessary for the implementation of a statewide data warehouse program;

(4) Oversee a statewide data warehouse program implemented in this state;

(5) Evaluate and identify data that may be provided to the public in accordance with data standards and specifications developed by the Department of Information Systems; and

(6) Provide annual reports to the Joint Committee on Advanced Communications and Information Technology; and

(7) Develop a unified longitudinal system that links existing siloed agency information for education and workforce outcomes to continuously conduct a business systems assessment to:

(A) Help the leaders of this state and service providers develop an improved understanding of individual outcomes resulting from education and workforce pipelines in Arkansas;

(B) Identify opportunities for improvement by using real-time information; and

(C) Continuously align programs and resources to the evolving economy of this state.

/s/J. English

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