

1 State of Arkansas
2 79th General Assembly
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4 By: Representative Brownlee

A Bill

ACT 181 OF 1993
HOUSE BILL 1114

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 6-14-102 TO PROVIDE MORE
9 FLEXIBILITY IN CHANGING THE DATE OF THE ANNUAL SCHOOL
10 ELECTION FOLLOWING A DISASTER; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

14 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE MORE FLEXIBILITY IN CHANGING
15 THE DATE OF THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION
16 FOLLOWING A DISASTER."

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

20 **SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-14-102 is hereby amended to read as follows:**
21 **"6-14-102. Annual election date.**

22 **(a) The annual school election shall be held in each school district of the state on the**
23 ***third Tuesday in September.***

24 **(b) *The board of directors of any school district shall have the authority to change the***
25 ***date of an annual school election that has been set when the district suffers damage to its***
26 ***physical facilities in an amount exceeding one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars***
27 ***(\$125,000) as a result of fire or other natural disaster, provided that all constitutional***
28 ***requirements are met.*"**

30 **SECTION 2. This act shall be applicable to fires and other natural disasters**
31 **occurring after July 15, 1992.**

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33 **SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature are**
34 **amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision**
35 **Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.**

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1 **SECTION 4. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to any person or**
2 **circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of**
3 **the act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end**
4 **the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.**

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6 **SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.**

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8 **SECTION 6. Emergency. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Ninth**
9 **General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that some school districts in this state incurred**
10 **substantial damages to their physical facilities from fires or other natural disasters occurring**
11 **prior to the 1992 annual school election, but too late to enable such districts to change the date**
12 **of the 1992 election, that present law does not clearly permit such districts to change the date**
13 **of the 1993 election, and that there is an urgent need for such school districts to be able to**
14 **advance the date of the 1993 election to obtain voter approval for new continuing annual debt**
15 **service taxes to retire bonds to be issued to finance restoration of the physical facilities of the**
16 **district. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this act being necessary for**
17 **the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, shall be in full force and**
18 **effect from and after its passage and approval.**

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/s/Christene Brownlee

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