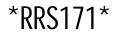
Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: H3/3/99		
2	82nd General Assembly	A B1II Act 975 of	1999	
3	Regular Session, 1999	HOUSE BILL	1296	
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5	By: Representative P. Malone			
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8		For An Act To Be Entitled		
9	"AN ACT TO F	PROVIDE THAT WHEN ANY AREA IS DECLARED A		
10	NATURAL DI SA	ASTER AREA, SCHOOL DISTRICTS THEREIN WILL		
11	NOT LOSE STA	ATE EQUALIZATION FUNDING FOR THAT YEAR OR		
12	THE NEXT YEA	AR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. "		
13		Subtitle		
14	"AN AC	T TO PROVIDE THAT WHEN ANY AREA IS		
15	DECLAR	ED A NATURAL DISASTER AREA, SCHOOL		
16	DISTRICTS THEREIN WILL NOT LOSE STATE			
17	EQUALIZATION FUNDING FOR THAT YEAR OR			
18	THE NE	XT YEAR. "		
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21	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GEN	NERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:		
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23	SECTION 1. <u>When a</u>	any county in the State of Arkansas is declared a		
24	disaster declaration are	ea by the Federal Emergency Management Administrati	on,	
25	the school districts that	at experienced loss of students due to the disaster	<u>^,</u>	
26	and are located within t	that county, shall receive funding. The school		
27	district shall be respor	nsible for requesting these funds and for providing	2	
28	documentation required b	by the Department of Education. The school distric	ct is	
29	required to document the	e loss in enrollment specifically due to the disast	ter.	
30	<u>Funding shall be provide</u>	ed for two years, based on the loss in revenues fro	<u>om</u>	
31	<u>the loss in average dail</u>	ly membership in the first year subsequent to the		
32	<u>natural disaster as com</u>	pared to the year in which the natural disaster		
33	<u>occurred. Funding shall be calculated each fiscal year, with each qualifying</u>			
34	school district receiving either full reimbursement or a pro-rata share of the			
35	total funds available.	A school district may not receive funds for both a	3	
36	<u>loss in students due to</u>	a natural disaster and for a loss in revenues due	to a	



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1	loss in students. These funds shall be distributed in accordance with rules		
2	and regulations promulgated by the Department of Education.		
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4	SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature		
5	are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code		
6	Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.		
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8	SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to		
9	any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect		
10	other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without		
11	the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this		
12	act are declared to be severable.		
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14	SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are		
15	hereby repealed.		
16	/s/ P. Malone		
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19	APPROVED: 3/31/1999		
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