	Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language wou prior to this session of the General Assen Act 1159 of the Regular Session	nbly.
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2	85th General Assembly A Bill	
3	Regular Session, 2005	SENATE BILL 490
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5	By: Senator J. Bookout	
6	By: Representative Mahony	
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9	For An Act To Be Entitled	l
10	AN ACT TO PERMIT THE CREATION OF A POS	SITION FOR A
11	SCHOOL DISTRICT COORDINATOR FOR COUNT	IES WITH SIX
12	(6) OR MORE SCHOOL DISTRICTS LOCATED IN THE	
13	COUNTY; TO CREATE AN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL TO PROMOTE	
14	COOPERATION AMONG THE VARIOUS SCHOOL DISTRICTS	
15	LOCATED IN THE SAME COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER	
16	PURPOSES.	
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18	Subtitle	
19	AN ACT TO PERMIT THE CREATION OF A	
20	POSITION FOR A SCHOOL DISTRICT	
21	COORDINATOR FOR COUNTIES WITH SIX	(6) OR
22	MORE SCHOOL DISTRICTS LOCATED IN TH	HE
23	COUNTY.	
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26	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE C	OF ARKANSAS:
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28	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Section 12,	Chapter 3 is amended to
29	add sections to read as follows:	
30	6-12-315. School district coordinator.	
31	(a) Any county containing all or part of six (6) or more school	
32	districts may create:	
33	(1) An executive council; and	
34	(2) The position of school district coo	ordinator if a majority of
35	the school districts in the county pass a resolution requesting the creation	



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1	of the position of school district coordinator.	
2	(b) The executive council may be made up of one (1) superintendent	
3	from each school in the county and who may organize themselves in a manner to	
4	allow for meetings among superintendents in the county for the purpose of	
5	coordinating the business of the respective schools districts in a	
6	coordinated manner within the county.	
7	(c) The school district coordinator may:	
8	(1) Record the certificates of teachers as required by law;	
9	(2) Be a representative of the State Board of Education and	
10	shall perform duties as may be required by the State Board of Education;	
11	(3) Keep a record of the contracts made with teachers;	
12	(4) Assume and perform all of the duties of the county board of	
13	education or county supervisor as in existence on January 1, 2005;	
14	(5) Cooperate with the Department of Education in carrying out	
15	the budgetary regulations and procedures pertaining to school districts in	
16	the county as prescribed by the State Board of Education or by law;	
17	(6) Keep in the school district coordinator's office and file	
18	with the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System and the	
19	State Board of Education not later than October 15 of each year a list of all	
20	teachers employed in the county for the ensuing year, setting forth the type	
21	of certificate held by each teacher, the teacher's monthly contract salary,	
22	whether the teacher is a member of the system, and other information as the	
23	State Board of Education may deem necessary;	
24	(7) Cause to be set aside from funds in the county general	
25	school fund amounts necessary for the expenses of the executive council; and	
26	(8) Perform other duties related to the school districts in the	
27	county as may be requested by the executive council.	
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29	6-12-317. Salary.	
30	(a)(1) Each executive council may determine the salary of the school	
31	district coordinator and allowances for travel, clerical support, and office	
32	and other expenses.	
33	(2) The county shall provide office space and other appropriate	
34	facilities to the school district coordinator and his or her staff at the	
35	county seat free of charge as was previously provided to the county school	
36	supervisor and county board of education.	

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1	(b) The chair of the executive council may call a meeting in June each	
2	year for the consideration of these matters.	
3	(c) All allowances for office expense, travel, and clerical support	
4	shall be based upon detailed budgets submitted by the school district	
5	coordinator and approved by the executive committee.	
6	(d) With the approval of the executive council, the school district	
7	coordinator is authorized to hire necessary clerical and other assistants.	
8	(e) The allowances to the school district coordinator and members of	
9	the executive committee for travel expense, meals, and hotels shall not be in	
10	excess of the allowance for state employees.	
11	(f)(1) The expense allowed under this section may be paid from the	
12	unapportioned county general school fund to a special fund by the county	
13	treasurer, or the common fund of the county or any other source.	
14	(2) Payments allowed under this section shall be made only after	
15	presentation of invoices, statements, itemized expense accounts, or payroll	
16	vouchers signed by the school district coordinator and the chair of executive	
17	<u>council.</u>	
18	(g) If the person employed as the school district coordinator was	
19	previously employed in a position that was eligible to participate in the	
20	Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, the school district coordinator shall be	
21	eligible to continue to participate in the Arkansas Teacher Retirement	
22	<u>System.</u>	
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24	/s/ J. Bookout	
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