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A Bill

SENATE BILL 425

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 6 OF
10 THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 6
16 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING
17 EDUCATION.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-15-2502(d)(3)(C)(ii), concerning the
23 prioritization of designating education renewal zones, is amended to correct
24 an erroneous reference and ratify a codification decision made by the
25 Arkansas Code Revision Commission:

26 (ii) The school lies within a school district
27 classified by the ~~Division of Elementary and Secondary Education~~ state board
28 as in need of Level 5 – Intensive support under the Arkansas Educational
29 Support and Accountability Act, § 6-15-2901 et seq.;

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31 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-18-701(f)(2), concerning physical
32 examinations and individualized healthcare plans, is amended to read as
33 follows to repeal old language and add new language for clarification:

34 (2) An invasive medical procedure required by the public school
35 student and provided at the public school shall be performed by a trained and
36 licensed, ~~licensed~~ healthcare provider who is licensed to perform the task



1 under ~~§ 17-87-102(10)(D)~~ § 17-87-102(10)(E) or other professional licensure
2 statutes, unless otherwise permissible under § 17-87-103(10) and (11).

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4 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 6-50-505(a), concerning the waiver of
5 rules, articulation agreements, and the duties of the Career Education and
6 Workforce Development Board, is amended to correct references to conform the
7 text to the correct entities and to correct a reference to read as follows:

8 (a) The ~~State Board of Career Education~~ State Board of Education may
9 provide waivers of ~~regulations~~ rules adopted by the ~~Department of Career~~
10 ~~Education~~ Division of Career and Technical Education when waivers are
11 necessary to accomplish the purposes of this subchapter so long as the
12 waivers will not weaken the quality of the educational opportunities
13 provided.

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15 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 6-50-703(a), concerning the Arkansas
16 Existing Workforce Training Program, is amended to conform the reference to a
17 defined term to read as follows:

18 (a) There is ~~hereby~~ created the Arkansas Existing Workforce Training
19 Program, to be administered by a governing council composed of equal
20 representation from the Division of Higher Education, the ~~Division of Career~~
21 ~~and Technical Education~~ Office of Skills Development, and the Arkansas
22 Economic Development Commission.

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24 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 6-51-213(a), concerning State Board of
25 Education administration of certain federal and state vocational education
26 laws, is amended to change a reference to the correct agency to read as
27 follows:

28 (a) The ~~State Board of Career Education~~ State Board of Education is
29 designated to:

30 (1) Carry into effect the provisions of the federal act and this
31 act and have all necessary authority to cooperate with the United States
32 Department of Education in the administration of the federal act;

33 (2) Administer any legislation pursuant thereto enacted by the
34 General Assembly; and

35 (3) Administer the funds provided by the United States
36 Government and by the State of Arkansas under the provisions of the

1 respective acts for the promotion of vocational-technical education in
2 agricultural subjects and in trade and industrial subjects, as well as in
3 family and consumer science.

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5 SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 6-51-401(a) and (b), concerning courses of
6 instruction regarding vocational-technical training, are amended to read as
7 follows:

8 (a) The ~~State Board of Career Education~~ Career Education and Workforce
9 Development Board is authorized to establish programs of vocational-technical
10 training for the training of plumbers.

11 (b) A prescribed course of study will be set up by the ~~Department~~
12 Division of Career and Technical Education in conjunction with the Plumbing
13 and Natural Gas Section of the Department of Health and the local training
14 committee.

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16 SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 6-51-401(g), concerning the requirement of
17 a course of instruction regarding vocational-technical training to be in
18 compliance, is amended to read as follows:

19 (g) The course of instruction shall be in compliance with the
20 appropriate rules ~~and regulations~~ and shall provide the level of instruction
21 provided by rules of the board in cooperation with local plumbing training
22 committees.

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24 SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 6-52-204(a)(4), concerning gubernatorial
25 appointments to the State Apprenticeship Coordination Steering Committee, is
26 amended to change a reference to the correct agency to read as follows:

27 (4) The Governor shall consult the ~~Department of Career Education~~
28 Office of Skills Development before making an appointment under this
29 subsection.

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31 SECTION 9. Arkansas Code § 6-52-204(b)(1) and (2), concerning advisory
32 members of the State Apprenticeship Coordination Steering Committee, are
33 amended to change references to the correct agencies to read as follows:

34 (1) One (1) person designated by and representing the ~~Department~~
35 ~~of Career Education~~ Office of Skills Development;

36 (2) One (1) person designated by and representing the ~~Department~~

1 Division of Labor;

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3 SECTION 10. Arkansas Code § 6-52-204(c)(1), concerning the member
4 representing the general public on the State Apprenticeship Coordination
5 Steering Committee, is amended to change a reference to the correct agency to
6 read as follows:

7 (c)(1) The member representing the general public shall be appointed
8 by the ~~Department of Career Education~~ Office of Skills Development for a term
9 of four (4) years.

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11 SECTION 11. Arkansas Code § 6-52-205, concerning the duties of the
12 State Apprenticeship Coordination Steering Committee, is amended to change
13 references to the correct agencies to read as follows:

14 (a) The State Apprenticeship Coordination Steering Committee shall
15 recommend to the ~~State Board of Career Education~~ Career Education and
16 Workforce Development Board a statewide plan for the development of a
17 comprehensive program of apprenticeship training which shall include but not
18 be limited to the following:

19 (1) Formulas and administrative procedures to be used in
20 requesting appropriations of state funds for apprenticeship training;

21 (2) Forms, formulas, and administrative procedures to be used in
22 distributing available funds to apprenticeship training programs; and

23 (3) The content and method of the public notice required by this
24 subchapter.

25 (b)(1) The ~~Department of Career Education~~ Office of Skills Development
26 shall furnish the coordination committee with the current data necessary to
27 develop the plan.

28 (2) All state boards and agencies shall cooperate with the
29 coordination committee and shall furnish information and material on request.

30 (c) Pursuant to this section, the reporting procedures shall be
31 included in the state plan for apprenticeship.

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33 SECTION 12. Arkansas Code § 6-65-104 is repealed as obsolete.

34 ~~6-65-104. Rural school teachers' training departments.~~

35 ~~(a) The board of trustees of each of the agricultural schools are~~
36 ~~given permission to provide in each of the schools a department for the~~

1 ~~training of rural school teachers. However, the provisions of this section~~
 2 ~~shall not apply to Arkansas Tech University.~~

3 ~~(b)(1) The courses of study in the rural teachers' training department~~
 4 ~~in each of the schools shall be uniform in character and may provide adequate~~
 5 ~~instruction in the teaching of agriculture and subjects pertaining to rural~~
 6 ~~life.~~

7 ~~(2) These courses shall be outlined by a committee consisting of~~
 8 ~~the principal of each of the agricultural schools, the President of the~~
 9 ~~University of Central Arkansas, and the Commissioner of Elementary and~~
 10 ~~Secondary Education and the Director of the Division of Career and Technical~~
 11 ~~Education.~~

12 ~~(3) The curriculum shall be sufficiently comprehensive to~~
 13 ~~satisfactorily prepare the teachers to meet the requirements of all~~
 14 ~~characters and grades of license necessary to enable them to teach in the~~
 15 ~~rural schools of Arkansas.~~

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 17 SECTION 13. DO NOT CODIFY. CONSTRUCTION AND LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

18 It is the intent of the General Assembly that:

19 (1) The enactment and adoption of this act shall not expressly
 20 or impliedly repeal an act passed during the regular session of the Ninety-
 21 Third General Assembly;

22 (2) To the extent that a conflict exists between an act of the
 23 regular session of the Ninety-Third General Assembly and this act:

24 (A) The act of the regular session of the Ninety-Third
 25 General Assembly shall be treated as a subsequent act passed by the General
 26 Assembly for the purposes of:

27 (i) Giving the act of the regular session of the
 28 Ninety-Third General Assembly its full force and effect; and

29 (ii) Amending or repealing the appropriate parts of
 30 the Arkansas Code of 1987; and

31 (B) Section 1-2-107 shall not apply; and

32 (3) This act shall make only technical, not substantive, changes
 33 to the Arkansas Code of 1987.

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 35 APPROVED: 3/25/21
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