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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 303

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC  
10 SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2004; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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14 TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC  
15 SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2004.  
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-18-227(e), concerning school choice  
21 limitations is amended to read as follows:

22 (e)(1) The provisions of this section and all student choice options  
23 created in this section are subject only to the limitations of § 6-18-206~~(d)~~-  
24 ~~(f)~~(d)-(e), (g), and (i).

25 (2) If any part of this section conflicts with the provisions of  
26 a federal desegregation court order applicable to a school district, the  
27 provisions of the federal desegregation court order shall govern.  
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29 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-18-227(k), concerning duration of school  
30 choice eligibility is amended to read as follows:

31 (k)(1) Unless excused by the school for illness or other good cause:

32 (A) Any student participating in the opportunity public  
33 school choice option shall remain in attendance throughout the school year  
34 and shall comply fully with the school's code of conduct; and

35 (B) The parent or guardian of each student participating  
36 in the opportunity public school choice option shall comply fully with the



1 receiving public school's parental involvement requirements.

2           (2) ~~The parent or guardian shall ensure that the student~~  
3 ~~participating in the opportunity public school choice option takes all~~  
4 ~~statewide assessments, including, but not limited to, benchmark exams,~~  
5 ~~required pursuant to § 6-15-433.~~

6           (3) A participant who fails to comply with this section shall  
7 forfeit the opportunity public school choice option.

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