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A Bill

SENATE BILL 944

5 By: Senator E. Cheatham
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCEDURE AND REQUIREMENTS FOR
10 RENEWING THE CHARTER OF A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO CLARIFY THE PROCEDURE AND REQUIREMENTS
16 FOR RENEWING THE CHARTER OF A PUBLIC
17 CHARTER SCHOOL.
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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 § 6-23-204 is amended to read as follows:
23 6-23-204. Charter renewal.

24 (a) The charter of a conversion public charter school is not
25 automatically renewed.

26 (b) A local school board may apply to the authorizer for renewal of
27 the charter of a conversion public charter school according to the schedule
28 approved by the authorizer.

29 (c) The authorizer may:

30 (1) Deny a request to renew a charter for good cause, including
31 without limitation for one (1) or more of the reasons provided in § 6-23-105;
32 or

33 ~~(2) The State Board of Education is authorized to renew charters~~
34 ~~of~~ Renew the charter of a conversion public charter schools school on a one-
35 year or multiyear basis, not to exceed five (5) years, after the initial
36 five-year period if the renewal is approved by the local school board.



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SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-23-307 is amended to read as follows:
6-23-307. Renewal of charter.

(a) The charter of an open-enrollment public charter school is not automatically renewed.

(b) An eligible entity may apply to the authorizer for renewal of the charter of an open enrollment public charter school according to the schedule approved by the authorizer.

(c) The authorizer may:

(1) Deny a request to renew a charter for good cause, including without limitation one (1) or more of the reasons provided in § 6-23-105; or

(2) After the initial five-year period of an open-enrollment public charter, the State Board of Education may renew Renew the charter of an open-enrollment public charter school on a one-year or multiyear basis, not to exceed twenty (20) years.