

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2268

5 By: Representative Cook
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO
10 PROVIDE THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH WITH
11 DIRECT ACCESS TO CERTAIN ELECTRONIC DATABASES;
12 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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14 **Subtitle**

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16 TO PROVIDE THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE
17 RESEARCH WITH DIRECT ACCESS TO CERTAIN
18 ELECTRONIC DATABASES.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 10, Chapter 3, Subchapter 3 is amended
24 to add an additional section to read as follows:

25 10-3-317. Disclosure of school district information and records –
26 Access to electronic databases of the Department of Education.

27 (a)(1) The Department of Education shall provide the Bureau of
28 Legislative Research with direct read and report only access to the
29 department's data warehouse concerning school districts and related records.

30 (2) In providing the bureau with the direct read and report only
31 access required under subdivision (a)(1) of this section, the department
32 shall take reasonable precautions, including electronic blocking or
33 redacting, to prevent the disclosure of:

34 (A) Personally identifiable information of a student
35 unless the parent or guardian of a minor student or a student who is no



1 longer a minor consents in writing to the disclosure of personally
2 identifiable information about that student; or

3 (B) Information that would cause the department to lose
4 funding under the provisions of 20 U.S.C. 1232g, as it existed on January 1,
5 2007.

6 (3)(A) The department shall make its staff reasonably accessible
7 for consultation with bureau staff in developing and responding appropriately
8 to bureau requests under this section.

9 (B) The bureau staff shall inform the department of any
10 warehouse data used in the preparation of reports and provide the department
11 at least one (1) working day to review any student-related warehouse data
12 used in preparation of reports prior to publicly releasing that student-
13 related data without individually identifiable information.

14 (b) The department shall provide other information and records
15 requested by the bureau as soon as possible and in whatever reasonable form
16 requested.

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18 /s/ Cook

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20 APPROVED: 3/28/2007