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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1770

5 By: Representative Stewart
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING TEACHERS' MINIMUM SICK LEAVE; AND
9 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

11 CONCERNING TEACHERS' MINIMUM SICK LEAVE.
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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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16 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-17-1202 is amended to read as follows:*
17 *6-17-1202. Definitions.*

18 *As used in this subchapter:*

19 *(1) "Accumulated sick leave" means the total number of days of*
20 *unused sick leave that a teacher has to his or her credit;*

21 *(2) "Immediate family" means the teacher's:*

22 *(A) Spouse;*

23 *(B) Child;*

24 *(C) Parent; or*

25 *(D) Any other relative if the other relative lives in the*
26 *same household as the teacher;*

27 *(3) "Month or major portion thereof" means twelve (12) or more*
28 *working days in a calendar month, including all professional development days*
29 *required by the school district that count toward the annual sixty (60) hours*
30 *of required professional development for a teacher;*

31 *(4) "Sick leave" means absence with full pay from one's duties*
32 *in a public school for personal illness or illness in one's immediate family,*
33 *except for an absence due to personal injury resulting from either an assault*
34 *or other violent criminal act as provided in this subchapter; and*
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1 ~~(4)~~(5) "Teacher" means any full-time employee of a local school
2 district who is compelled by law to secure a license from the State Board of
3 Education as a condition precedent to employment.
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5 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-17-1204(a), concerning the amount and use
6 or leave, is amended to read as follows:

7 (a)(1) Each school district in the state shall provide sick leave for
8 each of its teachers at a minimum rate of one (1) day per month or major
9 portion thereof that the teacher is contracted, at full pay.

10 (2) A school district shall credit one (1) day of sick leave to
11 a teacher if the teacher:

12 (A) Used one (1) day of sick leave on a mandatory
13 professional development day; and

14 (B) Made up the missed mandatory professional development
15 day on a noncontract day.

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