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A Bill

SENATE BILL 648

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5 By: Senator Laverty

For An Act To Be Entitled

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8 AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT ISOLATED SCHOOL FUNDING FOLLOWS
9 THE STUDENT WHEN AN ISOLATED SCHOOL AREA IS PART OF A
10 CONSOLIDATION OR ANNEXATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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15 TO ENSURE THAT ISOLATED SCHOOL FUNDING
16 FOLLOWS THE STUDENT AFTER A CONSOLIDATION
17 OR ANNEXATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

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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 § 6-20-603(c), concerning isolated school
23 funding, is amended to read as follows:

24 (c)(1) Except as provided under subdivision (c)(2), A a school
25 district may not receive isolated funding under this section for an isolated
26 school area if the prior year's three-quarter average daily membership of the
27 isolated school area exceeds three hundred fifty (350).

28 (2) A school district is entitled to receive the funding under
29 this section for an isolated school area received by the school district in:

30 (A) A consolidation under § 6-13-1401 et seq. or § 6-13-
31 1601 et seq.; or

32 (B) An annexation under § 6-13-1401 et seq. or § 6-13-1601
33 et seq.

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35 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-20-604(d), concerning special needs
36 isolated school funding, is amended to read as follows:



1 (d)(1) A school district meeting the requirements of subsection (b) of
 2 this section shall receive an additional amount equal to fifteen percent
 3 (15%) of the foundation funding received by the school district under § 6-20-
 4 2305(a)(2) for the operation of the isolated school areas if the school
 5 district has:

6 ~~(1)~~(A) School facilities open for kindergarten through
 7 grade twelve (K-12) in two (2) or more isolated schools meeting the
 8 requirements of subsection (b) of this section and meeting the requirements
 9 of § 6-20-601 and if both isolated schools were annexed under § 6-13-1601 et
 10 seq.;

11 ~~(2)~~(B) A three-quarter average daily membership of five
 12 hundred one (501) to one thousand (1,000) in the preceding school year; and

13 ~~(3)~~(C) A density ratio of one and four-tenths (1.4)
 14 students or less per square mile.

15 (2) A school district with a three-quarter average daily
 16 membership of one thousand one (1,001) or greater is entitled to receive the
 17 funding under this section for an isolated school area received by the school
 18 district in:

19 (A) A consolidation under § 6-13-1401 et seq. or § 6-13-
 20 1601 et seq.; or

21 (B) An annexation under § 6-13-1401 et seq. or § 6-13-1601
 22 et seq.

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