

## SENATE AMENDMENT 1 TO hb1397.

inserting on line 12 on page 1 between the semicolon ";" and "AND" the following phrase:  
"TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY;"

AND

by inserting on line 1 on page 2 after "(c)" the following: "(1)"

AND

by inserting on line 5 on page 2 a new subdivision to read as follows:

"(2) If the superintendent initiates the suspension process, the decision may be appealed to the board."

AND

by inserting a new Section after Section 4 to read as follows:

"SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is found and determined by the General Assembly that the recent decision by the Arkansas Supreme Court in Richie v. Board of Education of Lead Hill School District has created some confusion in local school districts as to the validity of written student discipline policies in cases involving suspensions and expulsions and that it is necessary that this act take immediate effect to resolve this confusion. Therefore an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall become effective on the date of its approval by the Governor. If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house overrides the veto."