

HOUSE AMENDMENT 2 TO hb1810.

adding on line 2 of page 8 immediately before the word "OPERATIONAL" the words "ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL COMPUTER NETWORK, INC.-";

and

by striking lines 10, 11 and 12 on page 14 in their entirety and substituting therefor:

"SECTION 23. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall transfer a sum not to";

and

by striking SECTION 32 of the bill in its entirety;

and

by striking on line 7 of page 17 the numbers "428,000 586,000" and substituting therefor "6,199,000 9,956,000";

and

by striking on line 8 of page 17 the following: "50,000 50,000";

and

by striking line 9 of page 17 in its entirety and substituting therefor:

"(B) VOCATIONAL CENTER AID

(C) LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$12,540,888</u>	<u>\$14,393,888</u> ";
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and

by adding a new sentence on line 25 of page 17 immediately after the period "." and before the word "Members" to read as follows:

"The Cooperative Education Services Coordinating Council shall not be considered a state agency, board or commission.";

and

by striking on line 21 of page 20 the number "15,000" and substituting therefor "35,000";

and

by striking on line 25 of page 20 the number "6,819,888" and substituting therefor "12,540,888";

and

by striking on line 26 of page 20 the number "5,573,888" and substituting therefor "14,393,888";

and

by adding the following new sections immediately after Section 41 to read as follows:

"SECTION 42. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY. Of the total amount appropriated in Item (17) of Section 33 of this Act, the Department of Education shall formulate the distribution of up to \$2,100,000 in fiscal year 1997-98 and up to \$2,300,000 in fiscal year 1998-99 for the Limited English Proficiency program to be distributed

through the Cooperative Education Services Coordinating Council.

SECTION 43. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. VOCATIONAL CENTER AID. Of the total amount appropriated in Item (17) of Section 33 of this Act, \$3,601,000 shall be distributed for Vocational Cooperative Center Aid during the 1997-98 fiscal year through the Cooperative Education Services Coordinating Council in the same manner and amounts as such funds were distributed by the Vocational-Technical Education Division during the 1996-97 fiscal year. For the 1998-99 fiscal year, the Cooperative Education Services Coordinating Council shall distribute a total of \$7,000,000 for Vocational Center Aid to the sixteen Educational Services Cooperatives in such a manner that is based on the average daily membership of the school districts located in each of the Educational Services Cooperative's region.

SECTION 44. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. Of the total amount appropriated for Assessment/End-of-Level Testing for each fiscal year of the 1997-99 biennium, up to \$500,000 may be authorized by the Director of Education, General Division, to be used to provide staff development training for educational cooperatives, school districts, and for Department of Education staff on such content areas as test interpretation, goal setting, educational plan development, curriculum development, instructional strategies, classroom management and for evaluation procedures.

SECTION 45. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. Arkansas Code Annotated §19-2-401(2) is hereby amended to read as follows:

'(2) Appropriations made to the state-supported institutions of higher education, including universities, community colleges, technical colleges and the branches thereof; and technical institutions and comprehensive lifelong learning centers; and the Department of Education;'

SECTION 46. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. Arkansas code Annotated §19-2-402(b) is hereby amended to read as follows:

'(b) For those appropriations made to the ~~Department of Education and the~~ Department of Human Services, the saving of appropriation shall be five percent (5%) of the aggregate amount appropriated from general or special revenues for the department.'

SECTION 47. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. HOME SCHOOL TESTING. Of the total amount appropriated in Item (17) of Section 33 of this Act, the Cooperative Education Services Coordinating Council shall make available up to \$50,000 each fiscal year of the 1997-99 biennium for Home School Testing.";

and

by appropriately renumbering all sections of the bill.