

ARKANSAS SENATE
85th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2005
Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 391

"AN ACT TO PROVIDE SPECIAL NEEDS FUNDING FOR CERTAIN ISOLATED SCHOOL
AREAS."

Amendment No. 5 to Senate Bill No. 391.

Amend Senate Bill No. 391 as engrossed, S2/24/05 (version: 02-24-2005 09:02):

Delete the title entirely and substitute:

"AN ACT TO PROVIDE SPECIAL NEEDS FUNDING FOR CERTAIN ISOLATED SCHOOLS; TO
PROVIDE SPECIAL NEEDS FUNDING FOR CERTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH A LOW STUDENT
DENSITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute:

"AN ACT TO PROVIDE SPECIAL NEEDS FUNDING
FOR CERTAIN ISOLATED SCHOOLS; AND TO
PROVIDE SPECIAL NEEDS FUNDING FOR
CERTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH A LOW
STUDENT DENSITY."

AND

Page 1, delete Section 1 entirely

AND

Page 3, lines 13, delete "SECTION 2." and substitute "SECTION 1."

AND

Page 3, delete line 16 through 18 and substitute:

"(a)(1) The new requirements under the Standards for"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 31 through 36 and substitute:

"(2) The local board of directors by majority vote determines
that the isolated school is so isolated that to combine its operation to one



(1) district campus would be impractical or unwise; and

(3) The isolated school or district:

(A) Filed an affidavit of isolated school status with the State Board of Education during the consolidation or annexation process and the facts of the affidavit are verified by the State Board of Education, or its designee, to meet the requirements of 6-20-601;

(B) Filed an affidavit of isolated school status with the State Board of Education after the consolidation or annexation process or the effective date of this section and the facts of the affidavit are verified by the State Board of Education, or its designee, to meet the requirements of 6-20-601; or

(C) The school district would have qualified under § 6-20-601, but for the average daily membership requirements of three hundred fifty students or less."

AND

Page 4, delete lines 1 through 6 entirely

AND

Page 4, line 13, delete "school areas listed in § 6-20-603" and substitute "schools meeting the requirements of subsection (b) of this section;"

AND

Page 4, line 24, delete "school areas listed in § 6-20-603" and substitute "schools meeting the requirements of subsection (b) of this section;"

AND

Page 4, line 34, delete "school" and substitute "schools"

AND

Page 4, delete lines 35 through 36 entirely, and substitute the following:
"meeting the requirements of subsection (b) of this section.

(f) A school district shall receive an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the foundation funding received by the school district under § 6-20-2305(a)(2) based on the three-quarter average daily membership of the school district if the district has a three-quarter average daily membership of less than five hundred (500) students and a density ratio of two (2) students per square mile.

(g) A school district eligible for special needs funding under this"

AND

Page 5, delete line 2 and substitute:

"provided under § 6-20-603.

(h)(1) A school district eligible to receive isolated funding under §

6-20-603 shall continue to receive partial funding under § 6-20-603 even if part of the isolated schools are closed, but a school district shall not receive funding under § 6-20-603 for any isolated schools or parts thereof that have been closed by the local board of directors.

(2) If part of the isolated schools in a district are closed, the school district shall receive funding under § 6-20-603 based on the three-quarter average daily membership of the isolated schools or parts thereof that remain open in the district.”

AND

If appropriate, renumber the remaining sections of the bill

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator Lavery

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