

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

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 974

"AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL DESEGREGATION LAWSUIT
RESOLUTION TASK FORCE."

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 974.

Amend Senate Bill No. 974 as originally introduced:

Delete everything following the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 10, Chapter 3, Subchapter 15 is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

10-3-1505. Arkansas Public School Desegregation Lawsuit Resolution Task Force.

(a) There is established a legislative task force to be known as the "Arkansas Public School Desegregation Lawsuit Resolution Task Force" to serve with the members of the Desegregation Litigation Oversight Subcommittee created under this subchapter.

(b) The task force shall consist of the members of the Desegregation Litigation Oversight Subcommittee and ten (10) members as follows:

(1) Five (5) members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate as follows:

(A) One (1) member of the Arkansas Senate from each of the four (4) congressional districts in the state; and

(B) One (1) member of the Arkansas Senate who is a member of a minority political party; and

(2) Five (5) members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives as follows:

(A) One (1) member of the Arkansas House of Representatives from each of the four (4) congressional districts in the state; and

(B) One (1) member of the Arkansas House of Representatives who is a member of a minority political party.

(c) The task force shall:

(1) Study methods of bringing a final resolution to desegregation litigation and related matters involving the state;

(2) Hire and direct experts as may be necessary to facilitate a final resolution of desegregation litigation and related matters involving the state; and

(3) Make recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the resolution of desegregation litigation and related matters involving the



state.

(d)(1) The Department of Education, the Attorney General, and school districts shall provide the task force with assistance or information as requested by the task force.

(2) The Bureau of Legislative Research shall provide staff to the task force.

(e)(1) The task force may contract with individuals or entities to conduct the study or legal work of the task force.

(2) The expenses of the task force shall be paid by the Bureau of Legislative Research from the Interim Task Force Study Expenses appropriation or other available funds."

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 Hendren

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