

Hall of the House of Representatives
85th General Assembly - First Extraordinary Session, 2006
Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1014

"TO ENSURE A GENERAL, SUITABLE, AND EFFICIENT SYSTEM OF PUBLIC
EDUCATION FOR STUDENTS BY ADDRESSING ISSUES RAISED BY THE ARKANSAS
SUPREME COURT TO ALLOW SCHOOL DISTRICTS MORE FLEXIBILITY TO MEET THE
CURRICULUM STANDARDS."

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1014.

Amend House Bill No. 1014 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 5 and substitute "By: Fite, J. Hutchinson, Mack, George, Norton"

AND

Add Senators B. Johnson and Broadway as co-sponsors of the bill

AND

Delete Section 1 and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-16-103, regarding the course of study, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a school district that has two (2) high schools as a result of restructuring through consolidation or annexation and at least one (1) of which is an isolated school as defined under § 6-20-602(a) shall be required to teach the curriculum standard requirements for secondary public schools under the Standards of Accreditation for Arkansas Public Schools at one (1) high school but not necessarily at both high schools if the courses are readily available to students at the second high school using the following delivery methods:

- (1) Transportation provided by the school district;
- (2) Distance learning;
- (3) Having a teacher on campus; or
- (4) Having an itinerant teacher.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas requires the state to provide a general, suitable, and efficient system of public



education for students; that the Arkansas Supreme Court has found that the public school system in Arkansas is inadequate; that course offerings that meet curriculum requirements are important for each student's academic success; and that this act is immediately necessary to allow school districts more flexibility to meet the curriculum standards by utilizing technology and other delivery methods so that all children have access to the courses of study they need for an adequate education. 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:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.”

The Amendment was read _____

By: Representative J. Hutchinson

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