

**Hall of the House of Representatives**  
86th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2007  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of House Bill No. 2670**

"AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF BLOCK SCHEDULING IN ARKANSAS PUBLIC  
SCHOOLS."

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**Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 2670.**

Amend House Bill No. 2670 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 9 and substitute the following: AN ACT TO RESTRICT THE  
USE OF BLOCK SCHEDULING"

AND

Page 1, delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute the following:  
"AN ACT TO RESTRICT THE USE OF BLOCK SCHEDULING IN ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS."

AND

Page 1, delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 15, Subchapter 4 is amended  
to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-15-441. Use of block scheduling while in school improvement.

(a) A public school that has been identified as being in school  
improvement shall not change from traditional scheduling to block scheduling  
unless:

(1) The Department of Education reviews the impact of the use of  
block scheduling on student achievement at the public school and recommends  
its use; and

(2) The Commissioner of Education approves the use, based on the  
department's recommendation.

(b)(1) If a public school uses block scheduling at the time it is  
identified as being in school improvement, the department shall review the  
use of block scheduling in the public school's first year of school  
improvement to determine whether block scheduling contributes to the reasons  
the public school is identified as being in school improvement.

(2) If the department determines that the use of block  
scheduling is a contributing factor to the school improvement status of the  
public school, the department shall require the public school to:

(A) Discontinue using block scheduling; or



(B) Include in a revised comprehensive school improvement plan the public school's plan for improving teaching methods used with block scheduling."

The Amendment was read \_\_\_\_\_  
By: Representative Pickett  
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Chief Clerk