

ARKANSAS SENATE
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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 11

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN COURSES
REQUIRED TO BE TAUGHT BY THE STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITATION."

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 11.

Amend Senate Bill No. 11 as originally introduced:

Delete everything following the enacting clause and substitute the following:

“SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 15, Subchapter 2 is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-15-213. Course considered as taught under certain circumstances.

(a) If a course required to be taught by a school district under the State Board of Education’s standards for accreditation has an enrollment of one (1) or more students and all students enrolled in the course leave the school district after the course has commenced but before the completion of the course in each given school year or school semester the course is to be taught and no other students that are eligible to take the course enroll to attend the school district campus where the course is required to be taught, the course shall be considered as taught by the school district in compliance with the standards for accreditation under the following conditions:

(1) The school district superintendent certifies in writing that no student eligible to take the required course enrolled to attend the school district campus where the course was required to be taught after the initial student or students left the school district;

(2) The school district provides written proof, as required by the Department of Education, that the school district had the course scheduled to be taught on the school district’s master course schedule during the entire time the course was required to be taught;

(3) The school district provides written proof, as required by the department, that the school district had a properly certified teacher employed and able to teach the required course during the entire time the course was required to be taught and the course was listed on the school district’s master course schedule;

(4) The department, upon review of proper records of the district and information certified by the school district superintendent, confirms that the school district satisfied the requirements of subsection (a)(1)-(3) of this section and verifies that the information submitted pursuant to subsection (a)(1)-(3) is correct; and

(5)(A) At the end of the school semester in which the course was



required to be taught, the school district petitions the state board, in writing, for a waiver of the standards for accreditation requirement that the particular course be taught for that school semester.

(B)(i) The superintendent and the school board president of the school district seeking the waiver shall appear before the state board to present their request for a waiver.

(ii) Representatives of the department shall appear before the state board to confirm and verify the information required to be filed with the department under this section.

(b)(1) Upon satisfaction of the requirements of subsection (a) of this section, the state board shall waive the requirement that the course be taught on a semester basis.

(2) The board shall waive the requirement for only the semester in which the student or students left the school district."

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

By: Senator Miller

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Secretary