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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 2049

TO PLACE THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS IN RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES
ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES UNDER THE AUTHORITY
AND ORGANIZATION OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH THE FACILITY
IS LOCATED.

Amendment No. 2 to House Bill No. 2049

Amend House Bill No. 2049 as engrossed, H3/18/11 (version: 03/18/2011 11:32:44 AM)

Add Representatives Pennartz, Powers as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Page 1, delete lines 30-36 and substitute the following language:

"(a) As used in this section, "local school district" means the school district where the youth service center is located.

(b) The physical facilities and programs at each of the youth services centers shall be designed and developed to be particularly suitable for the physical custody, care, education, and rehabilitation of youths of particular classifications.

~~(b)(c)~~ In classifying and committing youths to the various centers and facilities, the Division of Youth Services of the Department of Human Services shall take into consideration a youth's age, sex, physical condition, mental attitude and capacity, prognosis for rehabilitation, the seriousness of the committing offense, and such other criteria as the division shall determine.

~~(c)(d)(1)(A)~~ The division local school district shall establish a system of provide education for youths that are committed to the division under § 6-11-301 et seq., that shall conform to the guidelines established by the Department of Education.

~~(B) The Department of Education shall establish guidelines for the division's system of education no later than July 1, 2009.~~

~~(C)(i) The division, with the support and assistance of the Department of Education, shall conduct an education program assessment of each division facility and provide a written report of assessment findings to the division no later than December 1, 2009.~~

~~(ii) The division, with the support and assistance of the Department of Education, shall submit a corrective action plan for~~



~~each division facility to the Director of the Division of Youth Services, if needed, no later than December 1, 2009.~~

~~(iii) The Department of Education shall monitor the division's system of education to ensure that the guidelines established by the Department of Education are satisfied by the division's system of education.~~

(2) A student enrolled in the division's system of education shall receive credit for courses that meet the guidelines established by the Department of Education.

(3) Course credits and promotions received by a student enrolled in the division's system of education shall be considered transferable in the same manner as those course credits and promotions from other educational entities.

~~(4)(A) A student's home school district or the~~ The local school district in which the division facility is located may shall issue a diploma for a student who successfully completes the graduation requirements of the school district.

~~(B) If neither a student's home school district nor the school district in which the division facility is located is able to issue a diploma, then the Department of Human Services is authorized to issue a diploma to a student who successfully completes the requirements of the division's system of education.~~

(5) The division is authorized to contract for services, or hire staff, teachers, and other personnel as necessary to carry out the provisions of this section subject to the following requirements:

~~(A) A teacher employed in the division's system of education shall hold a valid Arkansas teacher's license in the appropriate area of instruction, unless the teacher participates in an additional licensure plan for the appropriate area of instruction at the time of employment;~~

~~(B) Staff, teachers, and other personnel employed by the division's system of education shall be eligible for membership in the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System and shall earn credited service for employment; and~~

~~(C) The division's system of education shall compensate teachers in accordance with the minimum teacher salary schedule set forth in § 6-17-2403.~~

~~(d)(e)~~ The local school district shall work collaboratively with the division, the Department of Education, and the Department of Career Education ~~shall work collaboratively~~ to prepare courses of study for the division's system of education, including courses in career and technical education suited to the age and capacity of the youths.

~~(e)(f)~~ The Department of Human Services, the Department of Education, and the Department of Career Education may promulgate rules as necessary to administer the requirements of this section.

~~(f)(g)~~ The Department of Human Services and the Department of Education shall report annually, beginning on March 1, 2010, to the House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs and to the Senate Interim Committee on Children and Youth on the state of ~~the division's system of education~~ for youths that are committed to the division."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1-27

The Amendment was read _____
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