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Amendment Form

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 64

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY
EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2022-2023 FISCAL YEAR.

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill 64

Amend Senate Bill No. 64 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 36 in its entirety

AND

Page 2, delete line 1 in its entirety

AND

Page 2, line 5, delete "20,250,189" and substitute "20,309,189"

AND

Page 2, delete line 28 in its entirety

AND

Page 3, line 6, delete "57,446,400" and substitute "142,000,000"

AND

Page 3, delete line 22 in its entirety

AND

Page 3, line 28, delete "25,000,000" and substitute "60,000,000"

AND

Page 3, line 33, delete "\$3,166,753,480" and substitute "\$3,233,266,080"

AND



Appropriately renumber all item numbers in SECTION 1

AND

Page 4, delete line 12 in its entirety

AND

Page 4, delete line 21 in its entirety

AND

Page 4, line 25, delete "50" and substitute "48"

AND

Appropriately renumber all item numbers in SECTION 2

AND

Page 5, line 1, delete "\$2,786,181" and substitute "\$2,670,977"

AND

Page 5, line 2, delete "909,985" and substitute "872,723"

AND

Page 5, line 4, delete "19,245,839" and substitute "25,245,839"

AND

Page 5, line 10, delete "\$23,449,255" and substitute "\$29,296,789"

AND

Pages 14-15, delete SECTION 24 in its entirety

AND

Page 19, immediately following SECTION 32, insert three new SECTIONS to read as follows:

" SECTION 33. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ARKANSAS GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL CURRICULUM. Prior to the beginning of the Arkansas Governor's School Program each year, the Arkansas Department of Education shall review and approve the proposed curriculum for the program year and shall maintain oversight of its implementation for consistency and accuracy.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2022 through June 30,2023.

SECTION 34. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ENHANCED STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT FUNDING. The Enhanced Student Achievement Funding appropriation in the Grants and Aid to Local School Districts and Special Programs section of this Act is to be disbursed according to the provisions under Arkansas Code § 6-20-2305(b)(4).

(a)(1) In 2020, as a result of the coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, the United States Department of Agriculture implemented the Seamless Summer Option, which:

(A) Allows all public school students to receive a meal from the public school in which he or she is enrolled at no charge, regardless of his or her free or reduced-price lunch status; and

(B) Has resulted in a significantly lower number of income verification forms being completed, which are used to verify the students who qualify for a free or reduced-price school meal.

(2) Under Arkansas Code § 6-20-2305(b)(4), the calculation of the amount of Enhanced Student Achievement Funding that a public school district receives is based on the percentage of enrolled students who qualify as national school lunch students, which is based on income verification forms submitted on behalf of students.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions established under Arkansas Code § 6-20-2305(b)(4), for Fiscal Year 2023, a public school district shall not receive less Enhanced Student Achievement Funding than the amount it received in Fiscal Year 2022. Any public school district entitled to Enhanced Student Achievement Funding above the amount that was received in Fiscal Year 2022 due to an increased number of identified national school lunch students shall receive the Enhanced Student Achievement Funding amount as calculated under Arkansas Code § 6-20-2305(b)(4).

(c) The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2022 through June 30,2023.

SECTION 35. SPECIAL LANGUAGE - CODE AMENDMENT. Arkansas Code § 6-10-106(a)(1)(A), concerning the school year start date, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1)(A) Beginning with the ~~2022-2023~~ 2023-2024 school year, the first day of the school year for student attendance in public elementary and secondary schools shall not be earlier than the Monday two (2) weeks before Labor Day."

AND

Appropriately renumber subsequent SECTION numbers of the bill.

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

By: Joint Budget Committee

By: Senator Irvin

By: Representatives Dotson, Cozart, Wardlaw

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