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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1096

5
6 By: Representative Carnine

7 Filed with: Interim House Committee on Education
8 pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

For An Act To Be Entitled

9
10 AN ACT TO GIVE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THE
11 AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH NORMAL BUDGETARY GUIDELINES
12 FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS; TO ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF
13 EDUCATION TO GRANT WAIVERS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT
14 DEVIATE FROM NORMAL BUDGETARY GUIDELINES; AND FOR
15 OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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18 TO GIVE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THE
19 AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH NORMAL BUDGETARY
20 GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-20-2202(a)(1), concerning school district
27 budget guidelines is amended to read as follows

28 (a)(1)(A) The board of directors of each school district, open-
29 enrollment public charter school, and education service cooperative annually
30 shall prepare a budget of expenditures and receipts that complies with normal
31 budgetary guidelines established by the State Board of Education and which
32 shall be filed with the Department of Education by September 30 of each year
33 under this subchapter.

34 (B) A school district, open-enrollment public charter
35 school, or education service cooperative that wishes to deviate from normal
36 budgetary guidelines may request a waiver from the department.

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SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-20-2207(a)(1), concerning normal budgetary guidelines is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules governing a uniform budget and accounting system and normal budgetary guidelines that shall be known as the “Arkansas Educational Financial Accounting and Reporting System”. This system shall include a uniform chart of accounts known as the “Arkansas Financial Accounting Handbook” that shall be exempt from the rule-making process ~~pursuant to~~ under the Arkansas Administrative Procedure Act, § 25-15-201 et seq.

Referred by the Arkansas House of Representatives
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