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6   By: Representative Lea

7   Filed with: Interim House Committee on Education

8   pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

9   **For An Act To Be Entitled**

10   AN ACT TO AMEND TEACHER LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR

11   PUBLIC SCHOOL EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER

12   PURPOSES.

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15   **Subtitle**

16   TO AMEND TEACHER LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

17   FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL EARLY CHILDHOOD

18   PROGRAMS.

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21   BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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23   *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-78-801(a), concerning the birth through*

24   *prekindergarten teaching credential and endorsement, is amended to read as*

25   *follows:*

26   *(a)(1) A person teaching in a public early childhood education program*

27   *may obtain a birth through prekindergarten teaching credential from the*

28   *Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education.*

29   *(2) ~~Subdivision (a)(1) of this section shall not be construed to~~*

30   *~~permit a~~ A person teaching in a public early childhood education program ~~to~~*

31   *may utilize the teaching credential <u>issued under subdivision (a)(1) of this</u>*

32   *<u>section</u> in lieu of a P-4 teaching license issued by the State Board of*

33   *Education ~~when the license is required~~ <u>for employment as a lead teacher in</u>*

34   *<u>any public or private early childhood education program</u>.*

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36   */s/Lea*

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3   Referred by the Arkansas House of Representatives

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