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HOUSE BILL 1327

5
6 By: Representative Wright

7 Filed with: Interim House Committee on Education

8 pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 AN ACT TO CREATE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE FREEDOM OF
11 INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO KEEP SCHOOLS SAFE AND
12 SECURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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15 TO CREATE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE FREEDOM
16 OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; AND TO KEEP
17 SCHOOLS SAFE AND SECURE.
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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 Title 6, Chapter 15, Subchapter 13, is
24 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

25 6-15-1303. Confidential information.

26 (a) Records or information that have been adopted by a school, a
27 school district, or the State Board of Education and that indicate a policy,
28 procedure, or plan to ensure school security or a safe learning environment
29 for students and school employees shall be treated as confidential and are
30 exempt from public disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, §
31 25-19-101 et seq.

32 (b) Meetings or consultations of a school, school district board of
33 directors, or the State Board of Education for the purpose of developing or
34 instituting a policy, procedure, or plan to ensure school security or a safe
35 learning environment for students and school employees shall be treated as

1 confidential and are exempt from public disclosure under the Freedom of
2 Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq.

3 (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to exempt from
4 disclosure policies or procedures adopted by a school or school district
5 regarding student or employee standards of conduct, including student
6 discipline policies under § 6-18-501 et seq. and employee personnel policies
7 under § 6-17-201 et seq.

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9 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 60, Subchapter 1, is amended
10 to add an additional section to read as follows:

11 6-60-104. Confidential information.

12 (a) Records or information that have been adopted by a state-supported
13 institution of postsecondary or higher education and that indicate a policy,
14 procedure, or plan to ensure campus security or a safe learning environment
15 for students and school employees shall be treated as confidential and are
16 exempt from public disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act of 1967, §
17 25-19-101 et seq.

18 (b) Meetings or consultations of a state-supported institution of
19 postsecondary or higher education for the purpose of developing or
20 instituting a policy, procedure, or plan to ensure campus security or a safe
21 learning environment for students and school employees shall be treated as
22 confidential and are exempt from public disclosure under the Freedom of
23 Information Act of 1967, § 25-19-101 et seq.

24 (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to exempt from
25 disclosure policies or procedures adopted by a school or school district
26 regarding student or employee standards of conduct, including student
27 discipline policies and employee personnel policies.

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29 /s/Wright
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32 Referred by the Arkansas House of Representatives

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