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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

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By: Representative Gibson

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED 6-20-603 TO ADD A SUBSECTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS TO ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHICH HAVE A LOCAL RESOURCE RATE IN EXCESS OF THE STATE BASE EQUALIZATION RATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated 6-18-203 is hereby amended to add the following subsection:

"(c) School districts which, at the date of passage of this act are designated as an isolated school district under the provisions of Arkansas Code Annotated 6-20-601 and 6-20-602, and which have a current year local resource rate in excess of the current year state base equalization rate will receive funding in an amount equal to the isolated funding factor multiplied by the current year state base equalization rate."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that isolated school districts which provide essential learning and community services are not receiving any state aid and that such isolated schools have not been treated fairly under present law and are being irreparably harmed. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and

safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.