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A Bill

SENATE BILL

480

By: Senator Bradford

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 6, CHAPTER 17, SUBCHAPTER 1 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987 TO MODIFY THE TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR TUBERCULOSIS TESTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 6-17-101(a) is hereby amended to read as follows: " (a) (1) Every newly hired public school employee within this state, prior to beginning employment each school year, shall present to the secretary of the board of directors of the employing district a certificate of health dated not more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of its presentation stating that the employee is free from tuberculosis.

(2) The status of the individual regarding possible tuberculosis infection must be determined by a method prescribed by regulation of the State Board of Health, and reactors must undergo sufficient additional tests prescribed by regulation of the State Board of Health and shall be scheduled for a periodic reexamination according to their risk status.

(3) Certificates of health stating that public school employees are free from tuberculosis infection may be issued by a regularly licensed physician or regularly constituted health authority, but interpretation of any X-ray film must be made by a competent roentgenologist or physician experienced in tuberculosis."

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 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.