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By: Senator Malone

SENATE BILL 571

"AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 6, CHAPTER 18, SUBCHAPTER 4 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987 TO PROVIDE FOR OUT OF SCHOOL INSTRUCTION FOR STUDENTS UNABLE TO ATTEND SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 6-18-401 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(a) Whenever a student is temporarily unable to attend school for a period of time, the local school district in which the student is enrolled shall ensure that educational services are provided to the student, when such services are requested by or on behalf of the student.

(1) Districts may fulfill this obligation by providing the educational services or by contracting for educational services with a hospital, juvenile detention facility, jail, another school district, or other appropriate entity as approved by the Arkansas Department of Education.

(2) In order to generate Minimum Foundation Program Aid for students receiving out of school services, the district must ensure that the student receives a minimum of four (4) hours of instruction per week delivered in at least two (2) separate blocks of time by a certified teacher.

(3) The school district in which the student is enrolled may pay to the entity or person providing out of school educational services an amount equal to no more than the prorated portion of the current year's State Base Equalization Rate for each school day the child is out of school beginning with the first day services are provided.

(b) The State Board of Education is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this act including any necessary guidelines to assist school districts and other entities in complying with the provisions of this act."

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 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.