

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
3 **Second Extraordinary Session, 1994**  
4 **By: Senator Lewellen**

**Call Item 35**

# A Bill

**SENATE BILL**

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## 7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 6-20-1201 TO PROVIDE THAT  
9 SCHOOL DISTRICTS MAY ISSUE NEGOTIABLE BONDS TO PAY OFF AND  
10 EXTEND CERTAIN OUTSTANDING POSTDATED WARRANTS, INSTALLMENT  
11 CONTRACTS, REVOLVING LOANS, AND LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENTS;  
12 AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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### 14 **Subtitle**

15 "AUTHORIZING SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO ISSUE  
16 BONDS TO PAY OFF AND EXTEND CERTAIN  
17 SHORT TERM DEBT OBLIGATIONS."

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

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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-20-1201 is hereby amended to  
22 read as follows:

23 "6-20-1201. Authority to borrow money and issue negotiable bonds.

24 All school districts are authorized to borrow money and issue negotiable  
25 bonds for the repayment thereof from school funds for the building and  
26 equipment of school buildings, making additions and repairs thereto,  
27 purchasing sites therefor, purchasing new or used school buses, refurbishing  
28 school buses, and paying off outstanding postdated warrants, installment  
29 contracts, revolving loans and lease purchase agreements, as provided in this  
30 act."

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

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1        SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
2 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
3 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
4 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
5 act are declared to be severable.

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7        SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
8 hereby repealed.

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10       SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the  
11 Seventy-Ninth General Assembly that present limitations on the use of  
12 negotiable bonds issued by school districts are creating serious hardships for  
13 some Arkansas districts; that it is essential to the financial stability of  
14 these school districts that they be authorized to issue bonds to pay off and  
15 extend certain kinds of short term debt and that the authority conferred  
16 hereby should be available as soon as possible. Therefore, an emergency is  
17 declared to exist and this Act being essential for the preservation of the  
18 public peace, health, and safety shall take effect and be in force from and  
19 after its passage and approval.

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