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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2086

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 6-16-302 AND ARKANSAS  
9 CODE § 6-16-309 TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL  
10 EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH PROGRAM STANDARDS FOR ADULT  
11 EDUCATION PROGRAMS, INCLUDING MINIMUM EMPLOYEE BENEFITS  
12 FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL EMPLOYED WITH STATE AND FEDERAL  
13 FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

16 "TO REQUIRE THE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL  
17 EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR  
18 ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS, INCLUDING  
19 MINIMUM EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FOR CERTIFIED  
20 PERSONNEL."

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

24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-16-302 is amended to read as follows:  
25 "6-16-302. Administration of federal funds.

26 (a) The State Board of Education or the State Board of Vocational  
27 Education is designated as the state agency or authority to receive and  
28 administer all available federal funds or those funds which may hereafter  
29 become available for early childhood education or adult education of less  
30 than college grade.

31 (b) This provision shall be applicable except in instances in which  
32 the Congress of the United States specifically provides for some other state  
33 agency, institution, or state official to receive and administer specific  
34 federal grants in these areas.

35 (c) The state agency or authority shall disburse any and all federal

1 funds in accordance with federal and state statutes and any implementing  
2 regulations pertaining thereto. The State Board of Vocational Education  
3 shall promulgate and adopt regulations as are appropriate for the expenditure  
4 of all federal funds for adult education programs to provide minimum  
5 standards for adult education programs, including program standards,  
6 certification requirements for instructors and administrative personnel, and  
7 a minimum level program for employee benefits, such as a retirement program,  
8 health insurance, and unemployment coverage.

9 (d)(1) The State Board of Vocational Education regulations on  
10 personnel shall provide that all personnel employed with adult education  
11 funds shall be employed in accordance with the laws, rules, regulations, and  
12 procedures applicable to the school districts in this state.

13 (2) Instructor and administrative personnel certificate  
14 requirements shall be the same as those expected of persons holding similar  
15 positions in local school districts."  
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17 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-16-309 is amended to read as follows:

18 "6-16-309. Authorization for adult education expenditures.

19 (a) The State of Arkansas and school districts are authorized to spend  
20 available tax funds for adult education below college level.

21 (b) The State Board of Vocational Education shall promulgate and adopt  
22 regulations as it deems appropriate governing the expenditure of state funds  
23 available for adult education programs. The regulations shall provide  
24 minimum standards for adult education programs, including program standards,  
25 certification requirements for instructors and administrative personnel, and  
26 a minimum level program for employee benefits, such as a retirement program,  
27 health insurance, and unemployment coverage.

28 (c)(1) The State Board of Vocational Education regulations on  
29 personnel shall provide that all personnel employed with state adult  
30 education funds shall be employed in accordance with the laws, rules,  
31 regulations, and procedures applicable to the school districts in this state.

32 (2) Instructor and administrative personnel certificate  
33 requirements shall be the same as those expected of persons holding similar  
34 positions in local school districts."  
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1           SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature  
2 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
3 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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

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11           SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
12 hereby repealed.

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