

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 82nd General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 1999

A Bill

SENATE BILL 273

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5 By: Senators Riggs, Mahony, Russ, Brown
6 By: Representatives Bond, Pappas, French, Simon, Magnus, T. Thomas, Faris, Horn, Luker, Rodgers

For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 "AN ACT AMENDING THE ARKANSAS CODE TO REQUIRE THAT
11 SCHOOL DISTRICTS BE IN SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE WITH
12 PROVISIONS OF THE TEACHER FAIR DISMISSAL ACT; AND FOR
13 OTHER PURPOSES. "

Subtitle

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16 "TO REQUIRE THAT SCHOOL DISTRICTS BE IN
17 SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE WITH PROVISIONS
18 OF THE TEACHER FAIR DISMISSAL ACT. "

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

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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 6-17-1503 is amended to read as follows:
24 "§ 6-17-1503. Construction.

25 This subchapter is not a teacher tenure law in that it does not confer
26 lifetime appointment nor prevent discharge of teachers for any cause which is
27 not arbitrary, capricious, or discriminatory. A nonrenewal, termination,
28 suspension, or other disciplinary action by a school district shall be void
29 unless the school district ~~strictly~~ substantially complies with all provisions
30 of this subchapter and the school district's applicable personnel policies."

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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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36 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to

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

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7 hereby repealed.

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