

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

State of Arkansas

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82nd General Assembly

A Bill

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SENATE BILL 649

By: Senator B. Lewellen

By: Representatives J. Jeffress, Salmon, T. Smith, Wilkins, C. Johnson, Gullett

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 6-17-808 TO PROVIDE
CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL WITH IMPROVED AND BROADER SALARY
SCHEDULES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. "

Subtitle

"TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 6-17-808 TO
PROVIDE CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL WITH
IMPROVED AND BROADER SALARY SCHEDULES. "

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 6-17-808 is amended to read as follows:

"6-17-808. Arkansas Classified Personnel Salaries Study Commission.

(a) There is hereby created the Arkansas Classified Personnel Salaries
Study Commission to be composed of the following:

(1) ~~The~~ An appointee of the Chairman of the House Interim
Committee on Education ~~or his appointee~~;

(2) ~~The~~ An appointee of the Chairman of the Senate Interim
Committee on Education ~~or his appointee~~;

(3) The Director of General Education of the Department of
Education;

(4) The Director of Vocational and Technical Education of the
Department of Education;

(5) One (1) representative of the Arkansas Association of
Educational Administrators;

(6) One (1) representative of the Arkansas Education Association;

(7) One (1) representative of the Arkansas School Boards Association; and

(8) The following persons to be appointed by the Governor:

(A) Five (5) public school classified personnel representatives who shall include one (1) active employee from each of the following job categories:

(i) School secretary or clerk;

(ii) School maintenance;

(iii) Bus driver;

(iv) Food service; and

(v) Aide or paraprofessional;

(B) One (1) public school superintendent; and

(C) Two (2) lay persons appointed from the state at large who shall not be former school administrators.

(b)(1) The commission shall collect from Arkansas public schools the salary schedules by job category for classified personnel and conduct a study of the disparity and inadequacies in classified personnel salaries among the state's school districts.

(2) The commission shall recommend solutions to the ~~1993~~ 2001 General Assembly, including minimum salary guarantees for classified personnel salaries by specific job and classification.

(c) Technical support to the commission shall be provided by the State Department of Education.

(d)(1) The school districts of this state shall adopt written salary schedules for classified personnel annually and shall file such schedules with the State Department of Education no later than ~~August 28~~ September 15 for the school year in which they are in effect.

(2) Such schedules shall reflect the actual pay practices of the district for classified personnel.

(e) As used herein, 'classified personnel' means all public school personnel who are not required to hold a valid teaching certificate issued by the Department of Education as a condition of employment and includes but need not be limited to secretaries, maintenance employees, bus drivers, food service employees, instructional aides, and paraprofessionals."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature

1 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
2 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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

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

12 /s/ B. Lewellen, et al
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