Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: S3/5/01			
2	83rd General Assembly	A Bill			
3	Regular Session, 2001		SENATE BILL	690	
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5	By: Senators Mahony, Beeb	e			
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled				
9	AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR CHANGING				
10	THE BOUNDARIES OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT; AND FOR				
11	OTHER PURPOSES.				
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13		Subtitle			
14	AN A	ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR			
15	CHANGING THE BOUNDARIES OF A SCHOOL				
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19	BE IT ENACTED BY THE	GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANS	SAS:		
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21	SECTION 1. Ark	ansas Code Title 6, Chapter 13, Subchap	oter 12, is		
22	amended by adding an additional section to read as follows:				
23	6-13-1210. Boundary change by State Board of Education.				
24	<u>(a)(1) The State Board of Education shall consider a petition from a</u>			<u>a</u>	
25	local board of direct	ors of any school district seeking an a	adjustment or		
26	<u>change of boundary li</u>	nes between its district and an adjoini	<u>ng district.</u>		
27	<u>(2)</u> The	local board of directors must file the	petition with	the	
28	State Board of Educat	ion at least thirty (30) days prior to	the next		
29	<u>regularly scheduled S</u>	tate Board of Education meeting, at whi	<u>ch time the</u>		
30	<u>petition will be pres</u>	ented for hearing before the State Boar	<u>d of Education</u>	<u>ı.</u>	
31	<u>(b) Upon proof</u>	to the State Board of Education of pub	olic notice iss	ued	
32	in the local newspape	rs of general circulation in each affec	ted school		
33	district no less than once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks, the State				
34	Board of Education may, by approval of a majority of the members of a quorum			um	
35	present of the State Board of Education, issue an order changing or adjusting				
36	the boundary lines between the adjoining districts.				



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1	(c) If the board of directors of each of the affected school districts		
2	is unable to agree on the proposed change in boundary lines, the State Board		
3	of Education shall adjust and change the boundary lines in accordance with		
4	their best judgment subject to the requirement of subsection (f) of this		
5	section, or shall rule the boundaries remain unchanged.		
6	(d) Upon an order from the State Board of Education to change or		
7	adjust boundary lines, it shall be the duty of the Department of Education to		
8	immediately make changes in the maps of the school districts of the county to		
9	show the changes of boundaries.		
10	<u>(e) The State Board of Education shall issue an order establishing the</u>		
11	changed boundaries and shall file the order with the county clerk in each		
12	<u>county in which every affected school district lays, who shall make a</u>		
13	permanent record of the order, and thereafter the boundaries so established		
14	shall be the boundaries of the affected districts until changes are made		
15	according to the provisions of law.		
16	(f) The State Board of Education shall not order any change in school		
17	district boundaries which hampers, delays, or in any manner negatively		
18	affects the desegregation efforts of the public school districts in the State		
19	of Arkansas.		
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21	SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the		
22	General Assembly that several school districts have agreed upon boundary		
23	<u>changes, and it could cause irreparable harm for students who are displaced</u>		
24	by a change in boundaries in the middle of a school year. Therefore, it is		
25	necessary to have boundary changes effective prior to the beginning of the		
26	school year. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being		
27	immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and		
28	safety shall become effective on the date of its approval by the Governor.		
29	If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become		
30	effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor		
31	may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is		
32	overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house overrides		
33	the veto.		
34	/s/ Mahony		
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