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2 84th General Assembly
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5 By: Representatives Medley, Green
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As Engrossed: H12/23/03
A Bill

Call Item 4

HOUSE BILL 1042

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE TEACHING OF SPLIT CLASSES
10 IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH FOUR (K-4); AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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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 Title 6, Chapter 16, Subchapter 1 is amended
24 to add an additional section to read as follows:

25 6-16-135. Split classes prohibited.

26 (a) For purposes of this section, "split class" means a classroom that
27 contains more than one (1) grade during a single instructional period.

28 (b)(1) Beginning September 1, 2004, no split classes may taught in
29 grades kindergarten through four (K-4), unless at those particular students'
30 grade level, there are six (6) or fewer students available to comprise a
31 class under current law.

32 (2) Classroom size may be adjusted under this subsection (b)
33 within thirty (30) days after the beginning of each school year.

34 (c) Classes for gifted and talented students are exempt from the
35 provisions of this section.

36 /s/ Medley, et al

