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.

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROCEDURE FOR ELECTING EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVES ON THE PERSONNEL POLICY COMMITTEE FOR CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-17-2301 is amended to read as follows:
6-17-2301. Establishment of personnel policies.
(a) Each school district in the State of Arkansas shall have a set of written personnel policies, including the salary schedule for each classification of classified personnel in the schools.
(b) For the purposes of this subchapter, there shall be five (5) classifications of classified personnel as provided in § 6-17-2303.
(c) For purposes of this subchapter, a classified employee shall be an employee of a public school who is not required to hold a teaching license issued by the State Board of Education and does not supervise or manage other employees as a regular part of his or her job duties.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-17-2303 is amended to read as follows: 6-17-2303. Committee on personnel policies.
(a)(1) Each school district shall have a committee on personnel policies for classified personnel which consists of at least one (1) nonmanagement representative from each of the following five (5) classifications:
(A) Maintenance and operation;
(B) Transportation;
(C) Food service;
(D) Secretarial and clerical; and
(E) Aides and paraprofessionals.
(2) Any classification of support personnel not identified in the five (5) classifications may be added as an additional representative.
(b) There shall be no more than three (3) administrators on the committee, one (1) of whom may be the superintendent of schools.
(c) The classified personnel members of the committee shall be elected by a majority of the classified personnel voting by secret ballot.
(d)(l) The election shall be conducted solely and exclusively by the classified personnel on the personnel policies committee, including distribution of ballots to all classified personnel.
(2) The ballots shall be collected in a sealed or locked collection box with an opening that is no more than one inch (1") wider than the ballots.
(3) The ballot collection box shall be opened only in the presence of no fewer than three (3) persons, including:
(A) One (1) administrator member of the committee; and
(B) Two (2) classified personnel members of the committee.
(4) All candidates shall be notified of the time and place for opening the ballot collection box and shall have the right to be present at the opening.
(5) The ballots shall be counted and verified by no fewer than three (3) persons, including:
(i) One (1) administrator member of the committee;
and
(ii) Two (2) classified personnel members of the
committee.
(e) The election shall be conducted by mid-0ctober on the second Tuesday in October of each year.

