

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
2 85th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2005

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2472

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5 By: Representatives Blount, Adcock, Bradford, Chesterfield, Clemons, Cook, Davis, Dobbins, Elliott,
6 Fite, Goss, R. Green, W. Lewellen, Rainey, L. Smith, Sumpter

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For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE TEACHERS TO SERVE THIS STATE
11 AS MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; TO REMOVE
12 CONTRACTUAL ROADBLOCKS TO TEACHERS' SERVICE IN
13 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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Subtitle

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17 THIS STATE AS MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL
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20 GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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

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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 17, Subchapter 1 is amended
26 to add and additional subchapter to read as follows:

27 6-17-118. Leave of absence for teachers elected to the General
28 Assembly.

29 (a) A teacher who is elected to the General Assembly has the right
30 during any regular or extraordinary session of the General Assembly to
31 either:

32 (1) A leave of absence under § 21-4-101; or

33 (2) Paid leave on the condition that the teacher:

34 (A) Reimburses the school district for the cost of a
35 substitute teacher; and

36 (B) Agrees to continue all contractual duties except



1 actual personal presence in the instructional environment.

2 (b) The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules to implement
3 the provisions of this section.

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