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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2268

By: Representative Cook

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO  
PROVIDE THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH WITH  
DIRECT ACCESS TO CERTAIN ELECTRONIC DATABASES OR  
A FILE ABSTRACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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RESEARCH WITH DIRECT ACCESS TO CERTAIN  
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 10, Chapter 3, Subchapter 3 is amended  
to add an additional section to read as follows:

10-3-317. Disclosure of school district information and records -  
Access to electronic databases of the Department of Education.

(a)(1) The Department of Education shall provide the Bureau of  
Legislative Research with:

(A) Direct access to interface with the department's  
electronic databases and files concerning school districts and related  
records; or

(B) A file extract of the department's electronic  
databases and files concerning school districts and related records;

(2) In providing the bureau with the direct access or the file  
extract required under subdivision (a)(1) of this section, the department  
shall take reasonable precautions, including electronic blocking or



1 redacting, to prevent the disclosure of:

2 (A) Personally identifiable information of a student  
3 unless the parent or guardian of a minor student or a student who is no  
4 longer a minor consents in writing to the disclosure of personally  
5 identifiable information about that student; or

6 (B) Information that would cause the department to lose  
7 funding under the provisions of 20 U.S.C. 1232g, as it existed on January 1,  
8 2007.

9 (3) The department shall make its staff reasonably accessible  
10 for consultation with bureau staff in developing and responding appropriately  
11 to bureau requests under this section.

12 (b) The department shall provide other information and records  
13 requested by the bureau as soon as possible and in whatever reasonable form  
14 requested.