

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 87th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2009

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2263

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5 By: Representatives Lovell, Wagner, J. Burris
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR
10 CALCULATING AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP FOR THE
11 PURPOSES OF ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION OF
12 SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 CALCULATING AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP FOR
17 THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTRATIVE
18 REORGANIZATION OF SMALL SCHOOL
19 DISTRICTS.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. NOT TO BE CODIFIED. Intent. The General Assembly
25 recognizes that the intent of basing administrative consolidation of small
26 school districts on a two-year average was to provide temporary relief to
27 school districts that were irreversibly losing enrollment. The General
28 Assembly further recognizes that small school districts and the rural
29 communities where they are located are more susceptible than larger
30 communities to fluctuations in the economy that result in fluctuations in
31 enrollment, both up and down. It is the intent of the General Assembly to
32 provide a more stable basis for administrative consolidation of small school
33 districts to minimize the effect of temporary fluctuations in enrollment due
34 to changing economic conditions.
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36 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-13-1602 is amended to read as follows:



6-13-1602. Administrative consolidation list.

By ~~February 1, 2004, and each~~ January 1 ~~thereafter~~ of each year, the Department of Education shall publish a consolidation list that includes all school districts with fewer than three hundred fifty (350) students according to the school district average daily membership in each of the two (2) school years immediately preceding the current school year.

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