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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SENATE BILL 888

By: Senator Broadway

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS
ASSIGNED TO ONE (1) LICENSED ART TEACHER FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IN GRADES ONE THROUGH SIX (1-6); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

CONCERNING THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS ASSIGNED TO ONE (1) LICENSED ART TEACHER FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IN GRADES ONE THROUGH SIX (1-6).

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-16-130(b)(1) - (3), concerning visual art and music instruction at public schools, are amended to read as follows:
(b)(1)(A) By no latex than June 1, 2005, evexy public elementary school $A$ public school serving students enrolled in any of grades one through six (1-6) in the state shall provide instruction no for not less than forty (40) minutes in visual art and no for not less than forty (40) minutes in music based on the state visual art and music frameworks each calendar week of the school year or an equivalent amount of time in each school year.
(B) The instruction required under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section shall be based on the state visual art and music frameworks.
(2) (A) Every student enrolled in grades one through six (1-6) at a public school shall participate in the visual art and music class required in this subsection.
(B) Ghildren Students with disabilities or other special
needs enrolled in grades one through six (1-6) at a public school shall be included in the visual art and music programs.
(3)(A) The instruction required by subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall be provided by a licensed teacher certified licensed to teach art or music, as applicable.
(B) Beginning with the 2010-2011 school year, a school
district shall employ at least one (1) licensed full-time equivalent art teacher and one (1) licensed full-time equivalent music teacher for every five hundred (500) students enrolled in the school district in grades one through six (1-6).

/s/ Broadway

