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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2134

5 By: Representative Summers
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO REMOVE THE LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF
9 OPEN-ENROLLMENT CHARTER SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER
10 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 TO REMOVE THE LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF
15 OPEN-ENROLLMENT CHARTER SCHOOLS.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-23-304(c)(1), concerning requirements for*
21 *open-enrollment charter schools, is amended to read as follows:*

22 *(c)(1)(A) The Beginning with the 2011-2012 school year, the state*
23 *board may grant no more than a total of twenty-four (24) charters for open-*
24 *enrollment public charter schools except as provided under subdivision*
25 *(c)(1)(B) of this section.*

26 *(B) If the cap on the number of charters available for an*
27 *open-enrollment public charter school is within two (2) charters of meeting*
28 *any existing limitation or cap on available open enrollment charters, the*
29 *number of available charters shall automatically increase by five (5) slots*
30 *more than the most recent existing limitation or cap on open-enrollment*
31 *charters.*

32 *(C) By March 1 each year, the department shall issue a*
33 *commissioner's memo stating the existing limitation on the number of charters*
34 *available for open-enrollment public charter schools and the number of*
35 *charters available for open-enrollment public charter schools during the next*
36 *application cycle.*



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