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SENATE BILL 821

5 By: Senate Committee on Education; House Committee on Education
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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING AMOUNTS FOR
9 PER-STUDENT FOUNDATION FUNDING AND CATEGORICAL
10 FUNDING; TO PROVIDE ENHANCED TRANSPORTATION FUNDING
11 FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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14 **Subtitle**

15 TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING
16 AMOUNTS FOR PER-STUDENT FOUNDATION
17 FUNDING AND CATEGORICAL FUNDING AND
18 PROVIDE ENHANCED TRANSPORTATION FUNDING
19 FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-20-2305(a)(2), concerning per-student
25 foundation funding amounts, is amended to read as follows:

26 (2)(A) For the ~~2009-2010~~ 2011-2012 school year, the foundation
27 funding amount is equal to ~~five thousand nine hundred five dollars (\$5,905)~~
28 six thousand one hundred thirty-seven dollars (\$6,137) multiplied by the
29 school district's average daily membership for the previous school year.

30 (B) For the ~~2010-2011~~ 2012-2013 school year, the
31 foundation funding amount is equal to ~~six thousand twenty three dollars~~
32 ~~(\$6,023)~~ six thousand two hundred fifty-four dollars (\$6,254) multiplied by
33 the school district's average daily membership for the previous school year.

34 ~~(C)(i) In accordance with the state's desire to foster~~
35 ~~educational excellence, in addition to the amounts determined by the General~~
36 ~~Assembly to be constitutionally adequate pursuant to subdivisions (a)(2)(A)~~



1 and (B) of this section, and in addition to the funds distributed to school
2 districts pursuant to subdivisions (a)(2)(A) and (B) of this section, each
3 school district shall receive an amount equal to thirty five dollars (\$35.00)
4 multiplied by the school district's average daily membership for the previous
5 school year.

6 (ii) ~~The Department of Education shall distribute~~
7 ~~the additional funding provided by this subdivision (a)(2)(C) in eleven (11)~~
8 ~~monthly payments from funds appropriated by law and available for~~
9 ~~distribution as state foundation funding aid.~~

10 (iii) ~~The General Assembly has determined that the~~
11 ~~funding provided by this subdivision (a)(2)(C), which is known as "Enhanced~~
12 ~~Educational Funding", is in addition to, and in excess of, the amount of~~
13 ~~funds necessary to provide an adequate education as required by the Arkansas~~
14 ~~Constitution.~~

15 (iv) ~~Enhanced Educational Funding is available from~~
16 ~~a combination of fortunate economic factors, conservative budgeting of all~~
17 ~~state government, and the favorable forecast of state revenues. As a result,~~
18 ~~the enhanced component of Enhanced Educational Funding cannot be ensured and~~
19 ~~may not be relied on beyond the 2009-2010 school year.~~

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21 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-20-2305(b)(2) - (4)(A), concerning state
22 categorical funding for public schools, are amended to read as follows:

23 (2)(A)(i) ~~Beginning with the 2007-2008~~ For the 2011-2012 school
24 year, alternative learning environment funding shall be ~~four thousand sixty-~~
25 ~~three dollars (\$4,063)~~ four thousand one hundred forty-four dollars (\$4,144)
26 multiplied by the number of identified alternative learning environment
27 students enrolled during the previous school year.

28 (ii) Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year,
29 alternative learning environment funding shall be four thousand two hundred
30 twenty-seven dollars (\$4,227) multiplied by the number of identified
31 alternative learning environment students enrolled during the previous school
32 year.

33 (iii) Funding for students in alternative learning
34 environments shall be distributed based on rules promulgated by the State
35 Board of Education.

36 (B)(i) Beginning with the 2007-2008 school year, secondary

1 vocational area center funding shall be three thousand two hundred fifty
2 dollars (\$3,250) multiplied by the number of students enrolled in a secondary
3 vocational area center during the previous school year.

4 (ii) Funding for students in secondary vocational
5 area centers shall be distributed based on rules promulgated by the State
6 Board of Career Education.

7 (3)(A) ~~Beginning with the 2007-2008~~ For the 2011-2012 school
8 year, funding for students who are identified as English-language learners
9 shall be ~~two hundred ninety three dollars (\$293)~~ two hundred ninety-nine
10 dollars (\$299) for each identified English-language learner.

11 (B) Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, funding for
12 students who are identified as English-language learners shall be three
13 hundred five dollars (\$305) for each identified English-language learner.

14 (C) Funding for English-language learners shall be
15 distributed to school districts for students who have been identified as not
16 proficient in the English language based upon a state-approved English
17 proficiency assessment instrument.

18 ~~(D)~~ Funds allocated for English-language learners to
19 school districts under this subchapter shall be expended only for eligible
20 activities as identified in current rules promulgated by the State Board of
21 Education and are a supplement to funding for national school lunch students
22 provided in subdivision (b)(4) of this section.

23 (4)(A)(i) ~~Beginning with the 2009-2010~~ For the 2011-2012 school
24 year, national school lunch state categorical funding for each identified
25 national school lunch student shall be as follows:

26 ~~(i)(a)~~ For a school district in which ninety
27 percent (90%) or greater of the previous school year's enrolled students are
28 national school lunch students, the amount of per-student national school
29 lunch state categorical funding shall be ~~one thousand four hundred eighty-~~
30 ~~eight dollars (\$1,488)~~ one thousand five hundred eighteen dollars (\$1,518);

31 ~~(i)(b)~~ For school districts in which at least
32 seventy percent (70%) but less than ninety percent (90%) of the previous
33 school year's enrolled students are national school lunch students, the
34 amount of per-student national school lunch state categorical funding shall
35 be ~~nine hundred ninety two dollars (\$992)~~ one thousand twelve dollars
36 (\$1,012); and

1 ~~(iii)(c)~~ For school districts in which less
2 than seventy percent (70%) of the previous school year's enrolled students
3 are national school lunch students, the amount of per student national school
4 lunch state categorical funding shall be ~~four hundred ninety-six dollars~~
5 ~~(\$496)~~ five hundred six dollars (\$506).

6 (ii) Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year,
7 national school lunch state categorical funding for each identified national
8 school lunch student shall be as follows:

9 (a) For a school district in which ninety
10 percent (90%) or greater of the previous school year's enrolled students are
11 national school lunch students, the amount of per-student national school
12 lunch state categorical funding shall be one thousand five hundred forty-
13 eight dollars (\$1,548);

14 (b) For school districts in which at least
15 seventy percent (70%) but less than ninety percent (90%) of the previous
16 school year's enrolled students are national school lunch students, the
17 amount of per-student national school lunch state categorical funding shall
18 be one thousand thirty-two dollars (\$1,032); and

19 (c) For school districts in which less than
20 seventy percent (70%) of the previous school year's enrolled students are
21 national school lunch students, the amount of per-student national school
22 lunch state categorical funding shall be five hundred sixteen dollars (\$516).

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24 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 6-20-2305(5)(A), concerning professional
25 development categorical funding for public schools, is amended to read as
26 follows:

27 (5)(A)(i) ~~Beginning with~~ For the school year ~~2007-2008~~ 2011-
28 2012, professional development funding shall be equal to an amount of up to
29 ~~fifty dollars (\$50.00)~~ fifty-one dollars (\$51.00) multiplied by the school
30 district's previous school year average daily membership.

31 (ii) Beginning with school year 2012-2013,
32 professional development funding shall be equal to an amount of up to fifty-
33 two dollars (\$52.00) multiplied by the school district's previous school year
34 average daily membership.

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36 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 20, Subchapter 23 is amended

1 to add an additional section to read as follows:

2 6-20-2308. Enhanced transportation funding.

3 (a) For the 2011-2012 school year, in addition to the foundation
 4 funding under § 6-20-2305(a)(2), the Department of Education shall distribute
 5 to Arkansas school districts enhanced transportation funding in the following
 6 amounts:

<u>LEA NO.</u>	<u>SCHOOL DISTRICT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
7 <u>501000</u>	<u>Alpena School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,262.41</u>
9 <u>1002000</u>	<u>Arkadelphia School District</u>	<u>\$ 4,034.46</u>
10 <u>4101000</u>	<u>Ashdown School District</u>	<u>\$ 14,780.31</u>
11 <u>5801000</u>	<u>Atkins School District</u>	<u>\$ 22,571.30</u>
12 <u>7401000</u>	<u>Augusta School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,903.77</u>
13 <u>3201000</u>	<u>Batesville School District</u>	<u>\$ 24,002.96</u>
14 <u>5201000</u>	<u>Bearden School District</u>	<u>\$ 8,506.81</u>
15 <u>801000</u>	<u>Berryville School District</u>	<u>\$ 16,617.65</u>
16 <u>3001000</u>	<u>Bismarck School District</u>	<u>\$ 16,176.68</u>
17 <u>2901000</u>	<u>Blevins School District</u>	<u>\$ 8,413.90</u>
18 <u>7303000</u>	<u>Bradford School District</u>	<u>\$ 5,259.23</u>
19 <u>3701000</u>	<u>Bradley School District</u>	<u>\$ 8,484.67</u>
20 <u>4901000</u>	<u>Caddo Hills School District</u>	<u>\$ 17,813.15</u>
21 <u>3301000</u>	<u>Calico Rock School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,568.08</u>
22 <u>5204000</u>	<u>Camden Fairview School District</u>	<u>\$ 17,852.53</u>
23 <u>4303000</u>	<u>Carlisle School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,446.85</u>
24 <u>6802000</u>	<u>Cave City School District</u>	<u>\$ 25,397.90</u>
25 <u>3212000</u>	<u>Cedar Ridge School District</u>	<u>\$ 26,212.93</u>
26 <u>1702000</u>	<u>Cedarville School District</u>	<u>\$ 2,626.40</u>
27 <u>5502000</u>	<u>Centerpoint School District</u>	<u>\$ 14,989.84</u>
28 <u>1305000</u>	<u>Cleveland County School District</u>	<u>\$ 33,884.39</u>
29 <u>7102000</u>	<u>Clinton School District</u>	<u>\$ 32,583.64</u>
30 <u>1201000</u>	<u>Concord School District</u>	<u>\$ 3,350.36</u>
31 <u>1101000</u>	<u>Corning School District</u>	<u>\$ 33,146.01</u>
32 <u>5707000</u>	<u>Cossatot River School District</u>	<u>\$ 7,878.73</u>
33 <u>2403000</u>	<u>County Line School District</u>	<u>\$ 14,407.31</u>
34 <u>1901000</u>	<u>Cross County School District</u>	<u>\$ 15,130.64</u>
35 <u>201000</u>	<u>Crossett School District</u>	<u>\$ 3,594.34</u>
36 <u>2601000</u>	<u>Cutter-Morning Star School District</u>	<u>\$ 6,048.16</u>

1	<u>7503000</u>	<u>Danville School District</u>	<u>\$ 1,616.50</u>
2	<u>402000</u>	<u>Decatur School District</u>	<u>\$ 6,124.11</u>
3	<u>5106000</u>	<u>Deer/Mt. Judea School District</u>	<u>\$ 31,587.99</u>
4	<u>901000</u>	<u>Dermott School District</u>	<u>\$ 1,565.14</u>
5	<u>5901000</u>	<u>Des Arc School District</u>	<u>\$ 14,697.06</u>
6	<u>101000</u>	<u>DeWitt School District</u>	<u>\$ 19,272.90</u>
7	<u>3102000</u>	<u>Dierks School District</u>	<u>\$ 13,531.88</u>
8	<u>3502000</u>	<u>Dollarway School District</u>	<u>\$ 16,917.63</u>
9	<u>5802000</u>	<u>Dover School District</u>	<u>\$ 2,936.25</u>
10	<u>2202000</u>	<u>Drew Central School District</u>	<u>\$ 50,533.87</u>
11	<u>2104000</u>	<u>Dumas School District</u>	<u>\$ 31,458.80</u>
12	<u>1802000</u>	<u>Earle School District</u>	<u>\$ 227.61</u>
13	<u>5301000</u>	<u>East End School District</u>	<u>\$ 16,059.92</u>
14	<u>7201000</u>	<u>Elkins School District</u>	<u>\$ 5,975.36</u>
15	<u>1408000</u>	<u>Emerson-Taylor School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,402.24</u>
16	<u>4302000</u>	<u>England School District</u>	<u>\$ 1,848.98</u>
17	<u>802000</u>	<u>Eureka Springs School District</u>	<u>\$ 7,493.05</u>
18	<u>4501000</u>	<u>Flippin School District</u>	<u>\$ 4,883.02</u>
19	<u>4102000</u>	<u>Foreman School District</u>	<u>\$ 16,651.64</u>
20	<u>4603000</u>	<u>Fouke School District</u>	<u>\$ 2,390.19</u>
21	<u>2602000</u>	<u>Fountain Lake School District</u>	<u>\$ 19,169.67</u>
22	<u>4602000</u>	<u>Genoa Central School District</u>	<u>\$ 8,260.00</u>
23	<u>404000</u>	<u>Gravette School District</u>	<u>\$ 28,133.42</u>
24	<u>803000</u>	<u>Green Forest School District</u>	<u>\$ 1,844.79</u>
25	<u>2807000</u>	<u>Greene County Tech School District</u>	<u>\$ 36,211.12</u>
26	<u>1003000</u>	<u>Gurdon School District</u>	<u>\$ 18,230.71</u>
27	<u>2304000</u>	<u>Guy-Perkins School District</u>	<u>\$ 3,259.26</u>
28	<u>203000</u>	<u>Hamburg School District</u>	<u>\$ 39,230.36</u>
29	<u>701000</u>	<u>Hampton School District</u>	<u>\$ 21,989.15</u>
30	<u>5205000</u>	<u>Harmony Grove School District</u>	<u>\$ 13,729.62</u>
31	<u>5602000</u>	<u>Harrisburg School District</u>	<u>\$ 10,016.02</u>
32	<u>503000</u>	<u>Harrison School District</u>	<u>\$ 31,135.31</u>
33	<u>6604000</u>	<u>Hartford School District</u>	<u>\$ 4,731.01</u>
34	<u>5903000</u>	<u>Hazen School District</u>	<u>\$ 10,152.52</u>
35	<u>5803000</u>	<u>Hector School District</u>	<u>\$ 17,866.08</u>
36	<u>5403000</u>	<u>Helena-West Helena School District</u>	<u>\$ 18,336.60</u>

1	<u>601000</u>	<u>Hermitage School District</u>	<u>\$ 28,558.37</u>
2	<u>6804000</u>	<u>Highland School District</u>	<u>\$ 42,939.92</u>
3	<u>3809000</u>	<u>Hillcrest School District</u>	<u>\$ 19,517.48</u>
4	<u>3804000</u>	<u>Hoxie School District</u>	<u>\$ 6,301.09</u>
5	<u>6202000</u>	<u>Hughes School District</u>	<u>\$ 7,864.64</u>
6	<u>4401000</u>	<u>Huntsville School District</u>	<u>\$ 60,964.30</u>
7	<u>3306000</u>	<u>Izard County Consolidated School District</u>	<u>\$ 30,837.32</u>
8	<u>3405000</u>	<u>Jackson County School District</u>	<u>\$ 805.80</u>
9	<u>5102000</u>	<u>Jasper School District</u>	<u>\$ 27,395.99</u>
10	<u>2604000</u>	<u>Jessieville School District</u>	<u>\$ 11,914.95</u>
11	<u>7003000</u>	<u>Junction City School District</u>	<u>\$ 12,323.39</u>
12	<u>5503000</u>	<u>Kirby School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,001.25</u>
13	<u>3704000</u>	<u>Lafayette County School District</u>	<u>\$ 24,293.87</u>
14	<u>2605000</u>	<u>Lake Hamilton School District</u>	<u>\$ 12,214.52</u>
15	<u>903000</u>	<u>Lakeside School District</u>	<u>\$ 48,550.67</u>
16	<u>3604000</u>	<u>Lamar School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,790.61</u>
17	<u>506000</u>	<u>Lead Hill School District</u>	<u>\$ 14,506.13</u>
18	<u>3904000</u>	<u>Lee County School District</u>	<u>\$ 15,849.17</u>
19	<u>7205000</u>	<u>Lincoln School District</u>	<u>\$ 6,495.16</u>
20	<u>6001000</u>	<u>Little Rock School District</u>	<u>\$217,080.65</u>
21	<u>4301000</u>	<u>Lonoke School District</u>	<u>\$ 6,501.17</u>
22	<u>4202000</u>	<u>Magazine School District</u>	<u>\$ 4,969.53</u>
23	<u>1402000</u>	<u>Magnolia School District</u>	<u>\$ 35,437.59</u>
24	<u>3004000</u>	<u>Malvern School District</u>	<u>\$ 4,723.03</u>
25	<u>2501000</u>	<u>Mammoth Spring School District</u>	<u>\$ 7,156.06</u>
26	<u>6606000</u>	<u>Mansfield School District</u>	<u>\$ 14,576.66</u>
27	<u>2803000</u>	<u>Marmaduke School District</u>	<u>\$ 7,074.14</u>
28	<u>5404000</u>	<u>Marvell School District</u>	<u>\$ 32,082.18</u>
29	<u>6102000</u>	<u>Maynard School District</u>	<u>\$ 11,249.51</u>
30	<u>7403000</u>	<u>McCrary School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,186.83</u>
31	<u>2105000</u>	<u>McGehee School District</u>	<u>\$ 14,820.37</u>
32	<u>3302000</u>	<u>Melbourne School District</u>	<u>\$ 28,229.43</u>
33	<u>5703000</u>	<u>Mena School District</u>	<u>\$ 21,176.90</u>
34	<u>3211000</u>	<u>Midland School District</u>	<u>\$ 5,591.43</u>
35	<u>3104000</u>	<u>Mineral Springs School District</u>	<u>\$ 12,015.65</u>
36	<u>4902000</u>	<u>Mount Ida School District</u>	<u>\$ 17,698.24</u>

1	<u>303000</u>	<u>Mountain Home School District</u>	<u>\$ 33,922.46</u>
2	<u>2607000</u>	<u>Mountain Pine School District</u>	<u>\$ 6,082.03</u>
3	<u>6901000</u>	<u>Mountain View School District</u>	<u>\$ 30,087.67</u>
4	<u>1703000</u>	<u>Mountainburg School District</u>	<u>\$ 12,716.47</u>
5	<u>2306000</u>	<u>Mt. Vernon-Enola School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,716.18</u>
6	<u>3105000</u>	<u>Nashville School District</u>	<u>\$ 5,546.89</u>
7	<u>1503000</u>	<u>Nemo Vista School District</u>	<u>\$ 12,636.90</u>
8	<u>5008000</u>	<u>Nevada School District</u>	<u>\$ 21,096.76</u>
9	<u>304000</u>	<u>Norfork School District</u>	<u>\$ 10,643.52</u>
10	<u>504000</u>	<u>Omaha School District</u>	<u>\$ 10,807.54</u>
11	<u>5706000</u>	<u>Ouachita River School District</u>	<u>\$ 11,756.72</u>
12	<u>6505000</u>	<u>Ozark Mountain School District</u>	<u>\$ 53,751.32</u>
13	<u>2404000</u>	<u>Ozark School District</u>	<u>\$ 8,865.92</u>
14	<u>7309000</u>	<u>Pangburn School District</u>	<u>\$ 13,881.18</u>
15	<u>4203000</u>	<u>Paris School District</u>	<u>\$ 8,123.32</u>
16	<u>5303000</u>	<u>Perryville School District</u>	<u>\$ 25,676.51</u>
17	<u>6103000</u>	<u>Pocahontas School District</u>	<u>\$ 5,338.04</u>
18	<u>5006000</u>	<u>Prescott School District</u>	<u>\$ 3,078.35</u>
19	<u>6003000</u>	<u>Pulaski County Special School District</u>	<u>\$195,165.42</u>
20	<u>1203000</u>	<u>Quitman School District</u>	<u>\$ 20,643.52</u>
21	<u>1106000</u>	<u>Rector School District</u>	<u>\$ 26,248.66</u>
22	<u>7310000</u>	<u>Rose Bud School District</u>	<u>\$ 13,890.68</u>
23	<u>2502000</u>	<u>Salem School District</u>	<u>\$ 15,949.01</u>
24	<u>4204000</u>	<u>Scranton School District</u>	<u>\$ 3,629.89</u>
25	<u>6502000</u>	<u>Searcy County School District</u>	<u>\$ 30,959.34</u>
26	<u>2705000</u>	<u>Sheridan School District</u>	<u>\$ 5,951.61</u>
27	<u>7104000</u>	<u>Shirley School District</u>	<u>\$ 3,446.16</u>
28	<u>3806000</u>	<u>Sloan-Hendrix School District</u>	<u>\$ 12,882.61</u>
29	<u>1507000</u>	<u>So. Conway County School District</u>	<u>\$ 37,679.88</u>
30	<u>4706000</u>	<u>So. Mississippi County School District</u>	<u>\$ 44,585.54</u>
31	<u>5504000</u>	<u>South Pike County School District</u>	<u>\$ 5,601.53</u>
32	<u>7105000</u>	<u>South Side School District</u>	<u>\$ 8,249.46</u>
33	<u>3209000</u>	<u>Southside School District</u>	<u>\$ 4,592.67</u>
34	<u>4003000</u>	<u>Star City School District</u>	<u>\$ 28,793.76</u>
35	<u>5206000</u>	<u>Stephens School District</u>	<u>\$ 14,181.74</u>
36	<u>7009000</u>	<u>Strong-Huttig School District</u>	<u>\$ 14,050.28</u>

1	<u>4605000</u>	<u>Texarkana School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,255.91</u>
2	<u>7510000</u>	<u>Two Rivers School District</u>	<u>\$ 24,892.01</u>
3	<u>2503000</u>	<u>Viola School District</u>	<u>\$ 16,587.45</u>
4	<u>6401000</u>	<u>Waldron School District</u>	<u>\$ 31,782.51</u>
5	<u>3509000</u>	<u>Watson Chapel School District</u>	<u>\$ 18,136.61</u>
6	<u>7208000</u>	<u>West Fork School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,480.69</u>
7	<u>1204000</u>	<u>West Side School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,317.92</u>
8	<u>7509000</u>	<u>Western Yell County School District</u>	<u>\$ 2,798.15</u>
9	<u>1602000</u>	<u>Westside Consolidated School District</u>	<u>\$ 10,265.79</u>
10	<u>3606000</u>	<u>Westside School District</u>	<u>\$ 5,141.82</u>
11	<u>1505000</u>	<u>Wonderview School District</u>	<u>\$ 5,972.63</u>
12	<u>1304000</u>	<u>Woodlawn School District</u>	<u>\$ 8,409.41</u>
13	<u>4502000</u>	<u>Yellville-Summit School District</u>	<u>\$ 9,670.34</u>

14 (b) Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, in addition to the
 15 foundation funding under § 6-20-2305(a)(2), the department shall distribute
 16 to a school district listed under subsection (a) of this section an amount of
 17 enhanced transportation funding equal to the amount identified for the school
 18 district under subsection (a) of this section multiplied by two (2).

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20 /s/Senate Committee on Education

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