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SENATE BILL 509

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE ADVANCED PLACEMENT TRAINING
9 AND INCENTIVE PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

11 TO ESTABLISH THE ADVANCED PLACEMENT
12 TRAINING AND INCENTIVE PROGRAM.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 5, is amended to add an
20 additional subchapter to read as follows:
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22 Subchapter 11 - Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Program
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24 6-5-1101. Established.

25 There is established the Advanced Placement Training and Incentive
26 Program.
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28 6-5-1102. Purpose of the Advanced Placement Training and Incentive
29 Program - Grant funding.

30 (a) The purpose of the Advanced Placement Training and Incentive
31 Program is to:

32 (1) Prepare more students for:

33 (A) Success in higher education;

34 (B) Postsecondary training; and

35 (C) Careers in science, technology, engineering, and
36 mathematics;



1 (2) Increase the number of students who graduate from
 2 institutions of higher education; and

3 (3) Support and enhance Advanced Placement initiatives already
 4 operating in the state.

5 (b)(1) The Department of Education shall provide grant funding to
 6 organizations that implement measures to achieve the goals of the Advanced
 7 Placement Training and Incentive Program.

8 (2) An organization that receives grant funding to implement the
 9 Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Program under this subchapter
 10 shall:

11 (A) Be affiliated with the National Math and Science
 12 Initiative; and

13 (B) Have demonstrated success with an Advanced Placement
 14 Training and Incentive Program.

15 (3) An organization that receives grant funding to provide the
 16 Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Program may:

17 (A) Develop public-private partnerships to advance math
 18 and science learning opportunities;

19 (B) Generate revenue from public or private sector
 20 entities to support other opportunities; or

21 (C) Accept grants, donations, gifts, or bequests.

22 (c) Grant funding provided by the department to an organization under
 23 this subchapter shall be used to:

24 (1) Support and enhance the Advanced Placement Training and
 25 Incentive Program;

26 (2) Pay for personal services and operating expenses required to
 27 carry out the Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Program; and

28 (3) Pay for technology, materials, and other resources used in
 29 the Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Program.

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 31 6-5-1103. Components and goals of the Advanced Placement Training and
 32 Incentive Program.

33 (a) The Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Program shall:

34 (1) Provide advanced placement content directors to work,
 35 mentor, and provide resources to advanced placement and pre-advanced
 36 placement teachers in the areas of:

1 (A) Mathematics;

2 (B) Science; and

3 (C) English;

4 (2) Provide nationally recognized professional development for
5 advanced placement and pre-advanced placement teachers that will enhance the
6 knowledge and pedagogical skills of the teachers; and

7 (3) Develop and provide materials and resources for advanced
8 placement and pre-advanced placement teachers.

9 (b) The overall goal of the Advanced Placement Training and Incentive
10 Program is to:

11 (1) Increase the number of students enrolled in Advanced
12 Placement mathematics, science, and English;

13 (2) Increase the number of students who score three (3) or more
14 on Advanced Placement Exams;

15 (3) Reduce the participation gaps and performance gaps in
16 Advanced Placement classes between African-American, Hispanic, and Caucasian
17 students;

18 (4) Help public high schools develop strong and successful
19 Advanced Placement programs;

20 (5) Enhance and augment Advanced Placement policies and
21 initiatives in Arkansas;

22 (6) Provide Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Programs
23 in every public high school that elects to participate and strengthen its
24 Advanced Placement program; and

25 (7) Increase the number of students prepared to enter science,
26 technology, engineering, and mathematics fields in higher education or
27 related training and occupations.

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29 6-5-1104. Participation in the Advanced Placement Training and
30 Incentive Program.

31 (a) A public high school is eligible to participate in the Advanced
32 Placement Training and Incentive Program.

33 (b)(1) A public high school that chooses to participate in the
34 Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Program shall pay a participation
35 and service fee determined by the organization.

36 (2) A public high school may choose either to fully participate

1 in the Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Program or to participate on
2 a limited basis, in which case the public high school shall pay a fee for
3 each service the public high school elects to use.

4 (c) An organization that receives grant funding to provide the
5 Advanced Placement Training and Incentive Program shall publish a list of
6 program fees on or before June 1 each year.

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