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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1596

5 By: Representative C. Douglas
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT REQUIRE A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PROVIDE UP TO TEN
9 (10) LEGISLATIVE DAYS PER SCHOOL YEAR PER SCHOOL
10 DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 TO REQUIRE A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PROVIDE
15 UP TO TEN (10) LEGISLATIVE DAYS PER
16 SCHOOL YEAR PER SCHOOL DISTRICT.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 17, Subchapter 1, is amended
22 to add an additional section to read as follows:

23 6-17-120. Legislative days.

24 (a) The purpose of this section is to improve the communication
25 between the General Assembly and licensed teachers working in public school
26 classrooms.

27 (b) A school district shall provide no less than five (5) and up to
28 ten (10) legislative days per school year per school district to allow a
29 licensed teacher to attend meetings of the House Committee on Education or
30 the Senate Committee on Education that are held during a legislative session
31 or during the interim.

32 (c)(1) A licensed teacher may submit a request to the school
33 district's personnel policy committee to use one (1) of the school district's
34 legislative days.

35 (2) If a request is approved, a licensed teacher shall be
36 compensated for mileage and meals for attending a legislative day at a rate



1 adopted by the school district board of directors.

2 (d) A school district may use funds allocated in the budget for school
3 business days or other available funds for legislative days.

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