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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 681

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MODIFY THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR A PERSON TO  
9 SERVE AS THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER  
10 PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

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14 TO MODIFY THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR A PERSON  
15 TO SERVE AS THE COMMISSIONER OF  
16 EDUCATION.

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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 § 6-11-102(c)(1), concerning the Commissioner  
22 of Education, is amended to read as follows:

23 (c)(1) The person selected as the commissioner ~~must~~ shall:

24 (A) Be a person of good moral character, recognized as a  
25 leader in the field of education, and qualified technically and by experience  
26 to direct the work of the department; and

27 (B) Unless a deputy commissioner meets the requirements of  
28 this subdivision (c)(1)(B), a person selected as commissioner shall:

29 (i) Hold a master's degree from an accredited  
30 institution;

31 ~~(C)(ii)~~ Have had ten (10) years' experience as a teacher,  
32 five (5) of which must be of an administrative or supervisory nature; and

33 ~~(D)(iii)~~ Hold a valid state teacher's license.  
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