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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1905

By: Representative C. Douglas

By: Senator B. Johnson

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING DELAY OF OPENING OR EARLY RELEASE
OF SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

CONCERNING DELAY OF OPENING OR EARLY
RELEASE OF SCHOOL.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code §§ 6-10-126 is amended to read as follows:

6-10-126. ~~Emergency inclement weather days~~ Delay or early release of school due to emergency circumstances.

(a) A superintendent may delay the start time or release early a school or schools in the school district due to any of the following emergency ~~inclement weather~~ circumstances:

- (1) Inclement weather;
- (2) Contagious disease outbreak; or
- (3) Utility outage.

(b)(1) For no more than five (5) school days total per year, a superintendent may, due to ~~inclement weather~~ emergency circumstances under subsection (a) of this section, either:

(A) Delay the start of the school day until as late as 10:00 a.m.; or

(B) Release students from school no earlier than 1:00 p.m.

(2) A school day that is delayed or released early under subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall count as a credited school day, with



no requirement for additional days to be added to the school calendar.

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