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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1539

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATIONAL COURSES AND SERVICES PROVIDED BY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS TO AN EXPELLED STUDENT; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS OFFER CERTAIN COURSES TO EXPELLED STUDENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS OFFER CERTAIN COURSES TO EXPELLED STUDENTS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-16-1406(g), concerning requirements for expelled public school students under the Digital Learning Act of 2013, is repealed.

~~(g) A public school district or open enrollment public charter school that expels a student under § 6-18-507 shall offer to the expelled public school student digital learning courses or other alternative educational courses for which the student may receive academic credit that is at least equal to credit the expelled public school student may have received if he or she was still enrolled in his or her assigned public school or open-enrollment public charter school immediately before he or she was expelled.~~



SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-18-507(h), concerning courses and services provided to expelled public school students by public schools, is amended to read as follows:

~~(h) A public school district and open enrollment public charter school shall comply with the requirements under § 6-16-1406(g) with respect to courses and services provided to an expelled public school student.~~

**APPROVED: 4/12/23**