

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.
Act 135 of the Regular Session

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HOUSE BILL 1189

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND NOVICE TEACHER MENTORING REQUIREMENTS
UNDER THE TEACHER EXCELLENCE AND SUPPORT SYSTEM; AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-17-2806(d), concerning the requirement for novice teacher mentoring under the Teacher Excellence and Support System, is amended to read as follows:

(d)(1) The Teacher Excellence and Support System also shall include novice teacher mentoring for each novice teacher employed at the public school that:

~~(1)~~(A) Provides training and support to novice teachers to increase teacher retention;

~~(2)~~(B) Establishes norms of professionalism; and

~~(3)~~(C) Leads to improved student achievement by increasing effective teacher performance.

(2) However, a novice teacher who has completed a Division of Elementary and Secondary Education-approved year-long residency is not required to participate in novice teacher mentoring under this subsection (d).



/s/Vaught

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