

SENATE AMENDMENT 2 TO hb1029.

inserting on line 11 of page 1 between "YEAR" and "AND" the following:

"THROUGHOUT THE REGULAR SCHOOL YEAR FOR STUDENTS IN K-3 WHO ARE IDENTIFIED AS IN DANGER OF NOT BEING ABLE TO READ AT GRADE LEVEL BY THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR"

AND

by inserting "(1)" on line 28 of page 1 after "(a)"

AND

by deleting "limited resources" on line 33 of page 1 and substituting the following:

"people of Arkansas would be better served if the State acted to ensure that all public school students were able to read at or above grade level upon exiting grade three (3), that local school districts are in the best position to determine if remediation is necessary for students in grades four (4) and five (5), and that the districts should have the option of providing summer school for such students and requiring attendance thereto to be eligible for promotion to the next grade.

(2) The General Assembly further finds that not all students are financially able to pay for summer school, nor do all school districts hold summer school. It is therefore the purpose of this section to require the public school districts of Arkansas to either individually or cooperatively provide free summer school and summer school transportation to those students in kindergarten through grade three (K-3) who did not perform at grade level during the regular school year and to ensure that students in kindergarten through grade three (3) who are identified as in danger of not being able to read at grade level by the end of the school year receive intensive and individualized reading instruction throughout the regular school year.

(3) It is further the purpose of this section to allow the public school districts of Arkansas to either individually or cooperatively provide free summer school and summer school transportation to students in grades four (4) and five (5) who did not perform at grade level during the regular school year."

AND

by deleting lines 34 through 36 of page 1 in their entirety

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by deleting lines 1 through 8 of page 2 in their entirety

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by inserting a new subdivision on line 12 of page 2 to read as follows:

"(2) Students in kindergarten through grade three (3) who are identified by the classroom teacher as in danger of not being able to read at grade level by the end of the school year shall receive intensive and individualized reading instruction throughout the regular school year."

AND

by deleting "(2)" on line 12 of page 2 and substituting "(3)"

AND

by deleting "and" on line 24 of page 2

AND

by inserting a new subdivision on line 25 on page 3 to read as follows:

"(3) Extra staff under the supervision of certified personnel to provide intensive and individualized instruction in reading throughout the school year; and"

AND

by deleting "(3)" on line 25 of page 2 and substituting "(4)"

AND

by deleting the quotation marks (") on line 25 of page 2

AND

by inserting a new subsection on line 26 of page 2 to read as follows:

"(e) The savings from not providing free summer school and summer school transportation to students in grades four (4) and five (5) who did not perform at grade level during the regular school year should be expended in the intensive and individualized reading instruction program provided throughout the school year to students in kindergarten through grade three (3) who are identified by the classroom teacher as in danger of not being able to read at grade level by the end of the school year."