

**SENATE AMENDMENT 2 TO hb1157.**

removing the overstriking from "(a)" on line 26 of page 1

AND

removing the overstriking from the following language on lines 29 through 31 on page 1:

"(b) The state Board of Education is empowered to make such reasonable rules and regulations required for the proper administration of this subchapter which are not inconsistent with the intent of this subchapter."

AND

removing the overstriking from ";" on line 26 of page 2

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deleting "." on line 26 of page 2

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removing the overstriking from the following language on lines 27 through 29 of page 2:

- "(iii) The basic core curriculum to be offered;
- (iv) The proposed schedule of instruction; and
- (v) The qualifications of the parent/teacher."

AND

inserting "and test administration" on line 33 of page 2 between "purposes" and "."

AND

deleting "enrollment" on line 10 of page 3 and substituting the following: "Achievement tests - Enrollment"

AND

inserting on line 30 of page 3 four (4) new subsections to read as follows:

"(a) Each student enrolled in a home school program who is considered to be at a

grade level, or no more than two (2) years beyond the normal age for the appropriate grade, for which the State mandates norm-referenced tests for public school students shall be tested using a nationally recognized achievement test selected by the State Board of Education.

(b) (1) (A) The administration of the tests required of home-schooled students shall be by the directors of the education service cooperatives established under §§ 6-13-1001 et seq., or as otherwise designated by the Department of Education.

(B) For the purposes of this section, the superintendents of the Little Rock, North Little Rock, and Pulaski County school districts shall act in lieu of an education service cooperative director.

(2) The directors of the education service cooperatives shall establish a common set of procedures, approved by the Director of the Department of Education, for the proper administration of the tests required by this section.

(3) Such administration shall include purchasing the test materials, giving the tests, scoring and interpretation of the tests, and reporting test results.

(c) The cost of testing required by this section shall be the responsibility of the Department of Education when the tests are administered by the directors of the education service cooperatives or other Department of Education designees.

(d) Alternate testing procedures may be approved by the director of an education service cooperative after consultation with the parents of a home-schooled student; provided, however, that any costs associated with an alternate testing procedure shall be the responsibility of the parents."

AND

deleting "(a)" on line 30 of page 3 and substituting "(e)"

AND

deleting "(b)" on line 1 of page 4 and substituting "(f)"