

ARKANSAS SENATE

84th General Assembly - Second Extraordinary Session, 2003 Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 28

"THE COMPREHENSIVE PUBLIC EDUCATION REORGANIZATION ACT."

Amendment No. 7 to Senate Bill No. 28.

Amend Senate Bill No. 28 as originally introduced:

Page 5, line 26, delete "(1)"

AND

Page 6, line 25, delete "School" and substitute "School Academic Facilities"

AND

Page 7, line 28, delete "public facilities status" and substitute "status of public school academic facilities"

AND

Page 9, line 19, delete "rural" and substitute "rural,"

AND

Page 9, line 30, delete "(B)" and substitute "(B)(i)"

AND

Page 9, delete lines 32 through 35, substitute the following:

"(a) Be a school with a department of education or a comprehensive four-year teacher preparation program; and (b) Be capable of demonstrating a willingness and"

AND

Page 10, line 3, delete "(iv)" and substitute "(ii)"

AND

Page 11, line 25, delete "average rate" and substitute "statewide average"



rate"

AND

Page 16, line 21, delete "Voluntary Reorganization." and substitute "Reorganization."

AND

Page 16, line 24, delete "district." and substitute "district pursuant to the requirements of subdivision (c)(1) of this section."

AND

Page 16, line 26, delete "a plan" and substitute "a petition"

AND

Page 16, line 27, delete "April 1" and substitute "March 15"

AND

Page 16, delete line 31 entirely

AND

Page 16, line 32, delete "of the plan," and substitute "of a voluntary consolidation or annexation petition by the State Board of Education"

AND

Page 16, delete line 33, and substitute the following
"board with or into other school districts by June 1, 2004, to be effective on July 1, immediately following publication of the list under the requirements of subdivision (c)(1) of § 6-13-1601."

AND

Page 17, delete lines 4 through 7, and substitute the following:

(c)(1)(A) All consolidations or annexations under this section shall be accomplished so as not to create a school district that hampers, delays or in any manner negatively affects the desegregation of another school district in this state, and shall be in compliance with § 6-13-1401 et seq., except the State Board of Education shall need no additional authority from the affected districts to effectuate the requirements of this act.

(B) The State Board of Education may receive and hear petitions or move on its own motion to consolidate or annex a school district on the consolidation list in such a time frame to effectuate the mandate of §§ 6-13-1602(a)(1)(B)(1) and (a)(1)(B)(2)."

AND

Page 17, line 16, delete "districts" and substitute "schools"

AND

Page 17, line 22, delete "and"

AND

Page 17, delete line 24, and substitute the following:

(3) students per square mile; or

(3) The State Board of Education shall have the authority to declare other schools isolated if the school district can demonstrate to the state board that the students would be unreasonably harmed by a long transportation time due to geographical barriers."

AND

Page 17, line 29, delete "law." and substitute "law or State Board rule."

AND

Page 19, line 25, delete "collective" and substitute "collectively"

AND

Page 20, line 3, delete "as" and substitute "a"

AND

Page 20, line 4, delete "superintendents school district" and substitute "superintendents of school districts"

AND

Page 20, line 5, delete "(b)" and substitute "~~(b)~~(c)"

AND

Page 20, line 7, delete "(c)" and substitute "~~(c)~~(d)"

AND

Page 22, line 11, delete "16" and substitute "10"

AND

Page 22, line 13, delete "6-13-1605" and substitute "6-13-1028"

AND

Page 31, delete lines 33 through 36 entirely

AND

Page 32, delete line 1 entirely

AND

Page 39, line 22, delete "Within one hundred twenty (120) calendar days following" and substitute "Following"

AND

Page 39, delete lines 32 and 33 entirely

AND

Page 39, line 34, delete "(iii)(a)" and substitute "(ii)(a)"

AND

Page 40, delete lines 6 through 8 and substitute the following:

"(b) Following the work of the taskforce under this section, the Department of Education shall present proposed changes in staff grades and salaries to the Joint Budget Committee at the earliest opportunity for the purpose of preparing suggested legislation to be approved by the General Assembly."

AND

Page 40, line 11, delete "Accountability, or" and substitute Accountability, the Office of Education Renewal Zones, or"

AND

Page 40, line 15, delete "Accountability, and" and substitute "Accountability, the Office of Education Renewal Zones, and"

AND

Page 40, delete line 17 and substitute the following:

"act.

(e) In the restructuring of the department the Director of the department may require the Department of Education, the Office of Public School Academic Facilities, and the Office of Public School Accountability, and the Office of Education Renewal Zones to coordinate and share certain administrative, custodial, legal, internal finance, and other necessary personnel to effectuate the daily operations of those offices and the department."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator Argue

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Secretary