

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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HOUSE BILL 1377

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ALLOW A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO BE GRANTED THE SAME WAIVERS THAT ARE GRANTED TO AN OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL THAT DRAWS STUDENTS FROM THE SCHOOL DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO ALLOW A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO BE GRANTED THE SAME WAIVERS THAT ARE GRANTED TO AN OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL THAT DRAWS STUDENTS FROM THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 15, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-15-103. School district waivers.

(a) A school district may petition the State Board of Education for all or some of the waivers granted to an open-enrollment public charter school that draws students from the school district.

(b) The petition for all or some of the waivers granted to an open-enrollment public charter school that is submitted by a school district shall include:

(1) The name of the open-enrollment public charter school that draws students from the school district;

(2) A copy of the waivers granted to the open-enrollment public



charter school; and

(3) A list of the waivers that the school district seeks to have granted.

(c)(1) The state board shall grant, in whole or in part, or deny, in whole or in part, a petition for a waiver submitted by a school district within ninety (90) days of receiving the petition.

(2) The state board shall notify the superintendent of the school district in writing of the decision of the state board.

(3) A waiver that is granted, in whole or in part, shall be valid for the duration that the waivers are valid for the open-enrollment charter school.

/s/Murdock