

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

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1780

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS
CODE CONCERNING THE TEACHER EXCELLENCE AND SUPPORT
SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE
ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE TEACHER
EXCELLENCE AND SUPPORT SYSTEM.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-17-2808(b)(2), concerning evaluations under the Teacher Excellence and Support System, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) At least one (1) time every ~~three (3)~~ five (5) school years, a public school shall conduct a summative evaluation for a teacher who is not in a status under subdivision (b)(1) of this section.

(B) In a school year in which a summative evaluation is not required for a teacher under this subdivision (b)(2), the teacher:

(i) Shall focus on elements of the teacher's professional learning plan as approved by the evaluator that are designed to help the teacher improve his or her teaching practices; and

(ii) With the evaluator's approval may:

*(a) Collaborate with a team of teachers on a shared plan that benefits the whole school, a content area, or a grade level;
or*

(b) Conduct self-directed research related to



the teacher's professional learning plan under § 6-17-2806.

(C) During the ~~two (2)~~ four (4) years in which a summative evaluation is not required, a public school may conduct an evaluation that is lesser in scope than a summative evaluation but uses the portions of the evaluation framework and evaluation rubrics that are relevant to the teacher's professional growth plan.

/s/Tosh