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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1890

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH IN THE STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITATION OF ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS THAT A TEACHER IN GRADES FIVE THROUGH TWELVE (5-12) IS PERMITTED TO TEACH PER SCHOOL DAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH IN THE STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITATION THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS THAT A TEACHER IN GRADES FIVE THROUGH TWELVE (5-12) IS PERMITTED TO TEACH PER SCHOOL DAY.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-17-812(a), concerning a teacher's receiving additional compensation for volunteering to teach more than the maximum number of students permitted per day, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) If a teacher of students in grades five through twelve (5-12) agrees to teach more than the maximum number of students in grades five through twelve (5-12) that is permitted per day under the Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and School Districts ~~or subdivision (a)(4)(A) of this section~~, then the teacher's pay under his or her contract shall be increased by an amount proportionate to the teacher's base pay and the additional number of students taught by the teacher.



(2) ~~Subdivision (a)(1) of this section permits a teacher to agree to teach more than the maximum number of students permitted per day under the Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and School Districts or subdivision (a)(4)(A) of this section but does not permit a~~
However, a teacher to shall not exceed the maximum class size permitted under the Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and School Districts.

(3) A teacher of students in grades five through twelve (5-12) may agree to use his or her conference period during the day to teach an additional class period or to teach more than the maximum number of students per day and shall be compensated at a prorated portion of his or her contract for both the extra class period and for every additional student he or she teaches over the maximum number of students permitted per day under the Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and School Districts ~~or subdivision (a)(4)(A) of this section.~~

~~(4)(A) Except when a teacher teaches a course that lends itself to large group instruction, as defined by the Department of Education, the maximum number of students a teacher in grades five through twelve (5-12) is permitted to teach without receiving additional compensation under this section shall not exceed one hundred fifty (150) students per day.~~

(B) The ~~department~~ Department of Education shall include in the Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and School Districts the maximum number of students ~~to be taught~~ in grades five through twelve (5-12) that a teacher of students in grades five through twelve (5-12) is permitted to teach per day and the exception under subdivision (a)(4)(A) of this section without receiving additional compensation under this section.