

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

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 119

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING RIVERSIDE VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL SCHOOL; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ROLE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CAREER EDUCATION WITH RESPECT TO RIVERSIDE VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ROLE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CAREER EDUCATION WITH RESPECT TO RIVERSIDE VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-29-307 is amended to read as follows:

12-29-307. Riverside Vocational and Technical School – Establishment.

There is established a state vocational and technical school, to be known as the “Riverside Vocational and Technical School”, to be operated by the ~~Career Education and Workforce Development~~ Board of Corrections within the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction at such facilities of the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction as may be designated by the ~~Department of Career Education in cooperation and agreement with the~~ Board of Corrections.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 12-29-309 is amended to read as follows:

12-29-309. Riverside Vocational and Technical School – Facilities – Operations – Rules.



(a)(1) The ~~Career Education and Workforce Development~~ Board of Corrections shall locate facilities and operate vocational or technical education or training programs within the Riverside Vocational and Technical School.

(2)(A) The operation of the school is subject to ~~such~~ special rules ~~deemed appropriate for the operation of~~ vocational ~~or~~ and technical education or training programs at ~~the~~ correctional institutions under the control of the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction.

(B) The special rules required under subdivision (a)(2)(A) of this section shall be in accordance with agreements and rules mutually developed and agreed to by the Career Education and Workforce Development Board and the Board of Corrections.

(b)(1) The school shall be entitled to all funds, rights, and privileges ~~and shall be operated in the same manner~~ as other area vocational and technical schools ~~are~~ operated in this state.

(2) However, the school shall be operated in accordance with the special rules for ~~the operation of~~ vocational ~~or~~ and technical education or training programs at facilities of the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction as provided in §§ 12-29-306 – 12-29-310.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 12-29-310(a), concerning the cost of implementation and operation of Riverside Vocational and Technical School, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The cost of implementing and operating the Riverside Vocational and Technical School at facilities of the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction as authorized by this section and §§ 12-29-306 – 12-29-309 shall be borne by the state and shall be paid from funds appropriated by the General Assembly to the school, ~~the Department of Career Education, and to the~~ Department of Correction, and the Department of Community Correction, together with any federal funds that may be available for this purpose in the following manner:

(1) The cost of facilities and equipment in excess of the amount of moneys provided by the school ~~and the Department of Career Education~~ shall be borne by the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction as approved by the Board of Corrections; and

(2)(A) This section and §§ 12-29-306 – 12-29-309 contemplate that the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction will provide facilities for the vocational and technical education programs operated by the school.

(B) However, nothing in this section and §§ 12-29-306 – 12-29-309 shall prohibit the Career Education and Workforce Development Board from providing ~~facilities~~ or sharing in the cost of facilities ~~and~~ or from providing or sharing in the cost of ~~repairing~~ repairs, maintenance, and upkeep of the buildings and facilities with the Department of Correction and the Department of Community Correction as funds are provided by the General Assembly, or are otherwise available for these purposes.