

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

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## A Bill

SENATE BILL 25

By: Senator J. Sturch

### For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE LIMITATION ON  
SCHOOL CHOICE TRANSFERS UNDER THE PUBLIC SCHOOL  
CHOICE ACT OF 2015; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE  
LIMITATION ON SCHOOL CHOICE TRANSFERS  
UNDER THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF  
2015.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-18-1906(b)(1), concerning limitations on school choice transfers under the Public School Choice Act of 2015, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(D)(i) A student who has attended a public school licensed early childhood program in a nonresident district for at least the entire school year immediately prior to the school year in which the student intends to enroll in kindergarten may continue attending in the nonresident district.

(ii) A student maintaining enrollment in a nonresident district under subdivision (b)(1)(D)(i) of this section shall:

(a) Not count against the cap of three percent (3%) of the resident or nonresident district under subdivision (b)(1)(A) of this section; and

(b) Submit an application for a transfer as required under § 6-18-1905.

(iii) If a student under subdivision (b)(1)(D)(i) of



this section returns to his or her resident district or enrolls in a private or home school, the:

(a) Transfer granted under subdivision

(b)(1)(D)(ii)(b) of this section shall be voided; and

(b) Student shall reapply for a future school choice transfer as required under § 6-18-1905.

/s/J. Sturch