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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1806

5 By: Representative Vaught
6 By: Senator J. Dotson
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROVIDE CURRICULUM TRANSPARENCY FOR PARENTS
10 OF KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE TWELVE STUDENTS; TO
11 REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY
12 EDUCATION TO CREATE AN ONLINE PORTAL FOR PARENTS,
13 FACULTY, AND STAFF TO ACCESS SCHOOL INSTRUCTIONAL
14 MATERIALS; TO ALLOW A PARENT TO REVIEW AND OPT OUT OF
15 SELECTED LIBRARY MEDIA MATERIALS FOR HIS OR HER
16 CHILD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

19 TO PROVIDE CURRICULUM TRANSPARENCY FOR
20 PARENTS OF KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE
21 TWELVE STUDENTS; AND TO ALLOW A PARENT
22 TO REVIEW AND OPT OUT OF SELECTED
23 LIBRARY MEDIA MATERIALS FOR HIS OR HER
24 CHILD.
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27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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29 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-16-103 is amended to read as follows:

30 6-16-103. Course of study generally - Online portal required -

31 Definitions.

32 (a) There shall be taught in all of the ~~public or elementary~~ schools
33 ~~of~~ in this state subjects that may be designated by the State Board of
34 Education or as required by law.

35 (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the
36 inclusion of additional subjects in the state course of study or in any



1 course formulated for a ~~school~~ district and approved by the state board.

2 (c)(1) The Division of Elementary and Secondary Education shall
3 establish and maintain a statewide, centralized, easily accessible online
4 portal for parents, school faculty, and school staff to access instructional
5 materials, if funding is available.

6 (2) The portal required by subdivision (c)(1) of this section
7 shall provide curriculum transparency that enables a parent to:

8 (A) Search and view instructional materials that are
9 searchable by district, school, and grade level;

10 (B) Review summaries of the content of each textbook used
11 by a district;

12 (C) Search and view the full content of each textbook used
13 by a district;

14 (D) Search and view library media materials used by each
15 school in a district; and

16 (E) Review a school's library media materials and opt out
17 his or her child from accessing library media materials the parent does not
18 wish to be available for his or her child.

19 (3) The portal required by subdivision (c)(1) of this section
20 shall enable a school administrator, school faculty member, and school staff
21 member to:

22 (A) Have uniform access to Arkansas school standards in a
23 single repository to ensure transparency and reduce ambiguity; and

24 (B) Reduce school employee workload by placing all
25 instructional materials in a centralized, searchable database.

26 (4) The portal required by subdivision (c)(1) of this section
27 shall enable a school administrator to comply with changing rules and
28 requirements by creating a database that contains school policies and
29 automatically updates based on changing rules and requirements.

30 (d) As used in this section:

31 (1) "District" means an Arkansas public kindergarten through
32 grade twelve (K-12) school district;

33 (2) "Instructional material" means a textbook, workbook, library
34 book, a library media material, a laboratory material, computer software,
35 video, or tape;

36 (3) "Library media material" means print and nonprint material

1 that is collected, processed, and stored by a school library media center and
2 that is available for student use;

3 (4) "Parent" means a parent, legal guardian, or person standing
4 in loco parentis to a child; and

5 (5) "School" means a public kindergarten through grade twelve
6 (K-12) school within a district.

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8 SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Implementation.

9 The Division of Elementary and Secondary Education shall provide the
10 portal required under § 6-16-103(c) no later than January 15, 2026, if
11 funding is available.

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