Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law. Act 916 of the Regular Session

1	State of Arkansas As Engrossed: S4/9/25 95th General Assembly As Engrossed: S4/9/25 A Bill
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3 4	Regular Session, 2025 HOUSE BILL 1642
5	By: Representative Gramlich
6	By: Senator J. Boyd
7	By. Schatol J. Boyd
8	For An Act To Be Entitled
9	AN ACT TO AMEND THE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE REPORT ACT; TO
10	AMEND THE MEASURES CONSIDERED WHEN CALCULATING A
11	SCHOOL RATING; TO ENSURE A STUDENT IS NOT COUNTED AS
12	A DROPOUT FOR PURPOSES OF CALCULATING A SCHOOL-LEVEL
13	GRADUATION RATE IF THE STUDENT PASSES A GED TEST; AND
14	FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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18	TO AMEND THE MEASURES CONSIDERED WHEN
19	CALCULATING A SCHOOL RATING; AND TO
20	ENSURE A STUDENT IS NOT COUNTED AS A
21	DROPOUT FOR PURPOSES OF CALCULATING A
22	SCHOOL-LEVEL GRADUATION RATE IF THE
23	STUDENT PASSES A GED TEST.
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25	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-15-2108(a), concerning the measures
28	assessed when determining a school's rating, is amended to read as follows:
29	(a) The school rating system shall be a multiple-measures approach
30	that shall include without limitation:
31	(1) Academic achievement on the annual statewide student
32	assessment;
33	(2) Student growth on the annual statewide student assessment;
34	(3)(A) School-level graduation rate or rates.
35	(B) However, a student shall not be counted as a dropout
36	for purposes of calculating a school-level five-year graduation rate under

As Engrossed: S4/9/25 HB1642

1	this section if the student passes a GED test during the year in which the
2	student dropped out; and
3	(4) English-learner progress or growth in acquiring English.
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