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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1539

5 By: Representative Vaught
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATIONAL COURSES AND SERVICES
10 PROVIDED BY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND OPEN-
11 ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS TO AN EXPELLED
12 STUDENT; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL
13 DISTRICTS AND OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS
14 OFFER CERTAIN COURSES TO EXPELLED STUDENTS; AND FOR
15 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

18 TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT PUBLIC
19 SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND OPEN-ENROLLMENT
20 PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS OFFER CERTAIN
21 COURSES TO EXPELLED STUDENTS.
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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 § 6-16-1406(g), concerning requirements for
28 expelled public school students under the Digital Learning Act of 2013, is
29 repealed.

30 ~~(g) A public school district or open enrollment public charter school~~
31 ~~that expels a student under § 6-18-507 shall offer to the expelled public~~
32 ~~school student digital learning courses or other alternative educational~~
33 ~~courses for which the student may receive academic credit that is at least~~
34 ~~equal to credit the expelled public school student may have received if he or~~
35 ~~she was still enrolled in his or her assigned public school or open-~~
36 ~~enrollment public charter school immediately before he or she was expelled.~~



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SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-18-507(h), concerning courses and services provided to expelled public school students by public schools, is amended to read as follows:

~~(h) A public school district and open enrollment public charter school shall comply with the requirements under § 6-16-1406(g) with respect to courses and services provided to an expelled public school student.~~

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