

1 INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2025-040

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3 State of Arkansas

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**A Bill**

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HOUSE BILL 1492

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7 By: Representative Gramlich

8 *By: Senator Dees*

9 Filed with: House Committee on Education  
10 pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

11 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

12 *AN ACT TO REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT AND*  
13 *OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL TO IMPLEMENT A*  
14 *MOBILE PANIC ALERT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*  
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17 **Subtitle**

18 *TO REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT*  
19 *AND OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER*  
20 *SCHOOL TO IMPLEMENT A MOBILE PANIC ALERT*  
21 *SYSTEM.*  
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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25 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 15, Subchapter 13, is*  
26 *amended to add an additional section to read as follows:*

27 *6-15-1306. Mobile panic alert system – Required.*

28 *(a)(1) Beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, each public school*  
29 *district board of directors and open-enrollment public charter school*  
30 *governing authority shall implement a mobile panic alert system that is*  
31 *capable of connecting diverse emergency services technologies to ensure real-*  
32 *time coordination between multiple first responder agencies.*

33 *(2) The mobile panic alert system required by this section shall*  
34 *integrate with local public safety answering point infrastructure to transmit*

1 9-1-1 calls and mobile activations.

2 (b) A public school district board of directors or an open-enrollment  
3 public charter school governing authority may implement additional strategies  
4 or systems to ensure real-time coordination between multiple first responder  
5 agencies in a school security emergency in addition to the mobile panic alert  
6 system required by this section.

7 (c) Each public school district board of directors and open-enrollment  
8 public charter school governing authority shall establish a schedule to test  
9 the functionality and coverage capacity of all emergency communication  
10 systems, including the mobile panic alert system required by this section, to  
11 determine if adequate signal strength is available in all areas of the public  
12 school district's or open-enrollment public school's campus.

13 (d) This section does not apply to a statewide open-enrollment public  
14 charter school that operates primarily as a virtual school.

15 (e) The Department of Education may adopt rules to implement this  
16 section.

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18 /s/Gramlich  
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21 Referred requested by the Arkansas House of Representatives

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