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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1189

5 By: Representative Vaught
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A NOVICE TEACHER
9 UNDER THE TEACHER EXCELLENCE AND SUPPORT SYSTEM; AND
10 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A NOVICE
15 TEACHER UNDER THE TEACHER EXCELLENCE AND
16 SUPPORT SYSTEM.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-17-2803(12), concerning the definition of
22 a "novice teacher" under the Teacher Excellence and Support System, is
23 amended to read as follows:

24 (12)(A) "Novice teacher" means a teacher having less than three
25 (3) school years of public school classroom teaching experience.

26 (B) However, "novice teacher" shall not include a teacher
27 who previously completed a supervised clinical practice required by a teacher
28 education program as defined by § 6-17-410(j)(2);
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