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A Bill

SENATE BILL 547

5 By: Senator D. Sullivan
6 By: Representative S. Meeks
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT CONCERNING A HOMESCHOOLED STUDENT’S
10 PARTICIPATION IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES AT
11 PRIVATE SCHOOLS; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT A
12 HOMESCHOOLED STUDENT LIVE WITHIN A CERTAIN RADIUS OF
13 A PRIVATE SCHOOL FOR PURPOSES OF PARTICIPATING IN AN
14 EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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18 TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT A
19 HOMESCHOOLED STUDENT LIVE WITHIN A
20 CERTAIN RADIUS OF A PRIVATE SCHOOL FOR
21 PURPOSES OF PARTICIPATING IN AN
22 EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY.
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-15-510(b), concerning a homeschooled
27 student’s participation in an interscholastic activity at a private school,
28 is amended to read as follows:

29 (b) A private school may approve a homeschooled student to participate
30 in an interscholastic activity if+

31 ~~(1)~~ The the homeschooled student or his or her parent notifies
32 the administrative head of the private school in writing:

33 ~~(A)(1)~~ Of the homeschooled student’s request to
34 participate in the interscholastic activity before the signup, tryout, or
35 participation deadlines established for students enrolled in the private
36 school; and



1 ~~(B)(2)~~ That the homeschooled student has demonstrated
2 academic eligibility by obtaining:

3 ~~(i)(A)~~ A minimum test score of the thirtieth
4 percentile on the Stanford Achievement Test Series, Tenth Edition, or another
5 nationally recognized norm-referenced test in the previous twelve (12)
6 months; or

7 ~~(ii)(B)~~ A minimum score on a test approved by the
8 State Board of Education; ~~and~~

9 ~~(2) The homeschooled student lives within a twenty five mile~~
10 ~~radius of the private school.~~

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