T	State of Arkansas As Engrossed: \$1/27/25 \$2/5/25
2	95th General Assembly A Bill
3	Regular Session, 2025 SENATE BILL 90
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5	By: Senator J. English
6	By: Representative Brooks
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled
9	AN ACT CONCERNING MEETING REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL
10	DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS; TO REQUIRE MEMBERS OF
11	THE PUBLIC TO BE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT
12	PUBLIC COMMENT AT EACH MEETING OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT
13	BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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17	TO REQUIRE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE
18	AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT
19	PUBLIC COMMENT AT EACH MEETING OF A
20	SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
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22	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-13-619, concerning meetings requirements
25	for school district boards of directors, is amended to add an additional
26	subsection to read as follows:
27	(f)(1) Prior to the consideration of a business or an executive
28	session at a meeting of a board of directors, any member of the public shall
29	be afforded the opportunity to give public comment on any matter that is
30	within the powers and duties of the board of directors as provided under § 6-
31	<u>13-620.</u>
32	(2)(A) A board of directors shall not require prior approval for
33	a member of the public to give public comment under subdivision (f)(1) of
34	this section.
35	(B) However, a board of directors may utilize a sign-up
36	sheet for members of the public providing public comment so long as the sign-

1	up sheet is accessible to the public until the start of the meeting of the
2	board of directors.
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4	/s/J. English
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