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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1905

4  
5 By: Representative C. Douglas  
6 By: Senator B. Johnson

## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT CONCERNING DELAY OF OPENING OR EARLY RELEASE  
10 OF SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

14 CONCERNING DELAY OF OPENING OR EARLY  
15 RELEASE OF SCHOOL.

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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code §§ 6-10-126 is amended to read as follows:

21 6-10-126. ~~Emergency inclement weather days~~ Delay or early release of  
22 school due to emergency circumstances.

23 (a) A superintendent may delay the start time or release early a  
24 school or schools in the school district due to any of the following  
25 emergency ~~inclement weather~~ circumstances:

26 (1) Inclement weather;

27 (2) Contagious disease outbreak; or

28 (3) Utility outage.

29 (b)(1) For no more than five (5) school days total per year, a  
30 superintendent may, due to ~~inclement weather~~ emergency circumstances under  
31 subsection (a) of this section, either:

32 (A) Delay the start of the school day until as late as  
33 10:00 a.m.; or

34 (B) Release students from school no earlier than 1:00 p.m.

35 (2) A school day that is delayed or released early under  
36 subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall count as a credited school day, with



1 no requirement for additional days to be added to the school calendar.

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