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As Engrossed: S3/14/13

A Bill

SENATE BILL 203

5 By: Senator J. Key
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO LIMIT STUDENT ATHLETE TRAVEL DURING THE
9 SCHOOL WEEK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

11 TO LIMIT STUDENT ATHLETE TRAVEL DURING
12 THE SCHOOL WEEK.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 18, Subchapter 1, is amended
20 to add an additional section to read as follows:

21 6-18-107. Student athlete travel.

22 (a) The General Assembly finds that:

23 (1) Instructional time in the classroom is critical to student
24 academic success;

25 (2) The financial cost associated with conference travel over
26 one hundred twenty-five (125) miles one-way is a significant financial burden
27 to school districts; and

28 (3) Limiting travel for conference athletic events to no more
29 than one hundred twenty-five (125) miles one-way will reduce the financial
30 burden placed on school districts.

31 (b) To reduce the loss of instructional time for a student athlete a
32 public school district shall not permit a student athlete to travel more than
33 one hundred twenty-five (125) miles one-way from the student athlete's school
34 of attendance for a conference athletic event.

35 (c) The restriction in subsection (a) of this section does not apply
36 to a non-conference athletic event or an athletic tournament.



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