

Teacher Salary1

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School districts in Arkansas could have the concrete ability to consider out-of-state teaching experience when negotiating salary. The House Education Committee passed the bill by a voice vote Thursday morning. While some school districts already consider out-of-state years when determining a teacher's placement on a salary schedule, this bill clarifies the issue and explicitly gives school districts the permission to do so.

Dr. Tony Prothro, Executive Director of the Arkansas School Board Association, believes this bill could help recruit more teachers to taking jobs in Arkansas.

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**"...their experience"**

According to the legislation, the out of state teacher must have a valid teaching license where they acquired their years of experience. The institution they taught at also must be comparable those listed in the state statute. The bill does not require school districts to adhere to this practice.