SUMMARY OF RULES: ARKANSAS DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION RULES GOVERNING STUDENT DISCIPLINE AND SCHOOL SAFETY

The proposed amendments to these rules:

- Incorporate provisions of Acts 557, 640, 709, and 1029 of 2019.
- Change the previous guidelines to rules.
- Add definitions from applicable statutes.
- Clarify the requirements for school district student discipline policies.
- Add provisions regarding the use of corporal punishment.
- Add requirements for anti-bullying policies.
- Replace Arkansas Department of Education with the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education.
- Revisions were made following public comment to clarify the definition of "bullying" and other highlighted provisions.