

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.
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1 State of Arkansas

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For An Act To Be Entitled

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING HIGHER EDUCATION;
15 TO PROHIBIT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FROM
16 PARTICIPATING IN CERTAIN ACTIVITIES WITH A PROHIBITED
17 FOREIGN PARTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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Subtitle

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TO PROHIBIT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER
22 EDUCATION FROM PARTICIPATING IN CERTAIN
23 ACTIVITIES WITH A PROHIBITED FOREIGN
24 PARTY.

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

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SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 60, Subchapter 1, is amended
29 to add an additional section to read as follows:

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6-60-123. Prohibition on activities with prohibited foreign party -

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Definition.

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(a) As used in this section, "prohibited foreign party" means the same
33 as defined in § 18-11-802.

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(b) An institution of higher education shall not participate in the
35 following activities with a prohibited foreign party:

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(1) Conduct classified research;



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- (2) Conduct agricultural research under a contract;
- (3) Sell agricultural products, including without limitation
seeds;
- (4) Engage in the production of agricultural products; or
- (5) Enter into a nondisclosure agreement.

/s/B. Johnson

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