

State of Arkansas

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A Bill

SENATE BILL

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By: Senator Kinard

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO MEET JOINTLY AT LEAST ONCE ANNUALLY TO ADDRESS THE CONTINUUM OF EDUCATION FROM KINDERGARTEN THROUGH POSTSECONDARY LEVELS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. (a) The State Board of Education and the State Board of Higher Education shall meet at least once annually or more often as necessary in a joint meeting to address matters which will assist the furtherance of excellence of education in this state and increase coordination between the two boards.

(b) Each November prior to a regular legislative session, the State Board of Education and the State Board of Higher Education shall issue a joint report to the next session of the General Assembly setting forth current data showing the percentage of public school students from Arkansas entering two and four-year colleges and universities. The report shall include a discussion of the attrition rate in secondary schools; high school counseling programs which address preparation for college; level and content of public school curricula; high school reading, math and science requirements; college entrance and transfer rules and regulations; percentage of graduates of public high schools requiring remediation at state colleges and universities in Arkansas; teacher certification requirements; and teacher education curricula.

SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.