1   State of Arkansas

2   95th General Assembly

# A Bill

3   Regular Session, 2025                                                SENATE BILL 183

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5   By: Senator J. Dotson

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8                             **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9                    AN ACT CONCERNING STANDARDIZED ASSESSMENTS FOR

10                   COLLEGE ADMISSION PURPOSES; TO REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC

11                   SCHOOL TO OFFER STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE THE

12                   CLASSIC LEARNING TEST; TO REQUIRE EACH STATE-

13                   SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO ACCEPT

14                   AN APPLICANT'S SCORE ON THE CLASSIC LEARNING TEST FOR

15                   PURPOSES OF ADMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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18                                    **Subtitle**

19                        CONCERNING STANDARDIZED ASSESSMENTS FOR

20                        COLLEGE ADMISSION PURPOSES.

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

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24        SECTION 1.  Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 18, Subchapter 1, is amended

25   to add an additional section to read as follows:

26        6-18-116.  Standardized Testing Choice Act — Creation — Requirements —

27   Definition.

28        (a)  This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Standardized

29   Testing Choice Act".

30        (b)  As used in this section, "CLT" means the Classic Learning Test

31   administered by Classic Learning Initiatives, LLC.

32        (c)  Each public school district and open-enrollment public charter

33   shall provide each student the opportunity to take the following assessments:

34             (1)  In grades nine (9) and ten (10), the PreACT exam, the CLT10,

35   or the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test; and

36             (2)  In grades eleven (11) and twelve (12), the CLT as an

1    alternative or in addition to the ACT test provided under the Universal ACT

2    Assessment Program Act, § 6-18-1601 et seq.

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4       SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 80, Subchapter 1, is amended

5    to add an additional section to read as follows:

6       6-80-110. Acceptable assessments for purposes of admission —

7    Definition.

8       (a) As used in this section, "CLT" means the Classic Learning Test

9    administered by Classic Learning Initiatives, LLC.

10       (b) A state-supported institution of higher education shall accept an

11    applicant's score on any of the following for purposes of admission:

12          (1) The ACT test;

13          (2) The SAT; or

14          (3) The CLT.

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