

**REPORT OF THE
HIGHER EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE
ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

August 19, 2016

Senator Sample and Representative Branscum, Co-Chairs:

The Higher Education Subcommittee met Tuesday, August 16, 2016, in Committee Room B, MAC, in Little Rock. The Subcommittee heard testimony regarding the following items:

1. Discussion of the Proposed Funding Formula for Higher Education.
Testimony was presented to the Subcommittee by Dr. Maria Markham, Director, Arkansas Department of Higher Education.
2. Update of Interim Study Proposal 2015- 139 by Representative Greg Leding “Requesting that the Arkansas Legislative Council and the Higher Education Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council conduct a study of student debt from Higher Education, including the amount of student debt, the impact of student debt on graduates, and possible solutions to reducing the student debt burden.”

Respectfully Submitted,

Senator Jason Rapert, Co-Chair

Representative Greg Leding, Co-Chair