

1 **State of Arkansas**  
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4 **By: Representative Mahony**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTION OF HIGHER  
9 EDUCATION SHALL REDUCE IN AN ORDERLY MANNER THE NUMBER OF  
10 FIRST-TIME ENTERING FRESHMEN FOR WHICH THE INSTITUTION  
11 PROVIDES REMEDIATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

14 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER  
15 EDUCATION TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS FOR WHICH THE  
16 INSTITUTIONS PROVIDE REMEDIATION."

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

20 SECTION 1. (a) As used in this act, "First-time entering freshman"  
21 means a student entering any four-year institution of higher education for the  
22 first time ever within two (2) years of graduating high school or receiving a  
23 G.E.D. certificate.

24 (b) Using as a base figure the number of first-time entering freshmen  
25 admitted to the institution during the 1992-93 academic year who require  
26 remediation as demonstrated by the test administered under Ark. Code Ann. § 6-  
27 61-110, a four-year institution of higher education shall, beginning with the  
28 1993-94 academic year, reduce by ten percent (10%) each year for the next nine  
29 (9) years the number of students admitted and requiring remediation. The  
30 number of students admitted and requiring remediation thereafter shall be no  
31 more than ten percent (10%) of the number admitted and requiring remediation  
32 during the 1992-93 academic year.

33 (c) A first-time entering freshman whose residence is more than thirty-  
34 five (35) air miles from a public two-year institution of higher education  
35 shall be exempt from the requirement of subsection (a). The freshman,

1 however, may only pursue the minimum core of courses that can be applied  
2 toward the general education core curriculum requirements for baccalaureate  
3 degrees at the four-year institution of higher education.

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

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9 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
10 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
11 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
12 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
13 act are declared to be severable.

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15 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
16 hereby repealed.

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