

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 84th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2003

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2378

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5 By: Representative Lendall  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO ALLOW COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, TECHNICAL  
10 COLLEGE, OR TECHNICAL INSTITUTE STUDENTS FREEDOM  
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## Subtitle

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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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22 SECTION 1. (a) For the purposes of this section:

23 (1) "Student" means any person attending a college, university,  
24 technical college or technical institute in the state; and

25 (2) "School official" means any board member or employee of the  
26 college, university, technical college, or technical institute.

27 (b)(1) The right of students to freedom of expression in publicly  
28 supported colleges, universities, technical colleges, or technical institutes  
29 in the state shall not be abridged, censored, or prohibited.

30 (2) Freedom of expression includes the rights and  
31 responsibilities of students, collectively and individually, to:

32 (A) Express their views through speech and symbols;

33 (B) Write, publish, and disseminate their views; and

34 (C) Assemble peaceably on school property for the purpose  
35 of expressing their opinions.

36 (c) Any assembly planned by students during regularly scheduled school



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1 hours shall be held only at a time and place approved in advance by the  
2 school administrator or the administrator's designee.

3 (d) No expression made by students in the exercise of their right to  
4 freedom of expression shall be deemed to be an expression of school policy  
5 and no school official shall be held responsible in any civil or criminal  
6 action for any expression made or published by the students.

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