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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1698

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION  
9 COORDINATING BOARD TO DEVELOP AND ADOPT A POLICY ON  
10 THE TIMELY REPORTING OF GRADES TO STUDENTS; AND FOR  
11 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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16 POLICY ON THE TIMELY REPORTING OF GRADES  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 61, Subchapter 2, is amended  
24 to add an additional section to read as follows:

25 6-61-233. Timely reporting of term grades to students.

26 (a) On or before November 1, 2013, the Arkansas Higher Education  
27 Coordinating Board, in collaboration with state-supported institutions of  
28 higher education, shall develop and adopt a policy addressing the timely  
29 reporting of term course grades to students.

30 (b)(1) The policy shall require a state-supported institution to  
31 notify a student of the student's term course grades for the most recently  
32 completed term at least one (1) week before the final day to drop classes the  
33 following term.

34 (2) The policy shall ensure that a student is given ample notice  
35 of his or her grades for the previously completed term and has time to drop a  
36 class without penalties if necessary based on the grades the student received



1 in the most recently completed term.

2 (c)(1) The Department of Higher Education shall monitor the compliance  
3 of state-supported institutions of higher education with this section.

4 (2) A state-supported institution of higher education that is  
5 not in compliance with this section shall not be eligible to accept state aid  
6 from the Higher Education Grants Fund Account on behalf of a student.

7 (d) As used in this section "term" means the end of a quarter or  
8 semester, depending on how a state-supported institution of higher education  
9 elects to structure the academic year.

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