For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOLS, INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND REMEDIATION; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO JOINTLY STUDY AND REPORT ON REMEDIATION ISSUES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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

SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY.

(a) The Department of Education and the Department of Higher Education shall jointly study issues concerning the testing and remediation of entering freshman required under § 6-61-110, including without limitation:

(1) The cost of testing and remediation of entering freshmen;

(2) The minimum scores on a college and career readiness assessment that are required for placement in college-level credit courses;

(3) Uniform measurable exit standards for remedial courses; and

(4) The development of a method to allocate the cost of remediation to public secondary schools, institutions of higher education, and entering freshmen who require remediation.
(b) The Department of Education and the Department of Higher Education shall include the chair and vice chair of the House Committee on Education and the chair and vice chair of the Senate Committee on Education in all communications and meetings concerning the study required under subsection (a) of this section.

(c) By November 1, 2013, the Department of Education and the Department of Higher Education shall report on the study required under subsection (a) of this section, including all recommendations resulting from the study, to the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education.

/s/Clemmer

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