

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.

Act 819 of the Regular Session

As Engrossed: H3/13/07 H3/16/07

A Bill

1 State of Arkansas
2 86th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2007

HOUSE BILL 2316

4
5 By: Representative Reep

6
7
8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW PERTAINING TO THE
10 ARKANSAS HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR TRAINING
11 ACADEMY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

12
13 **Subtitle**

14 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW PERTAINING TO
15 THE ARKANSAS HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR
16 TRAINING ACADEMY.

17
18
19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

20
21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-61-531 is amended to read as follows:

22 6-61-531. Arkansas Heavy Equipment Operator Training Academy -
23 Establishment.

24 (a) The Arkansas Heavy Equipment Operator Training Academy is
25 established as a satellite center of the University of Arkansas at
26 Monticello.

27 (b) The academy shall be the Arkansas single-source academy offering
28 statewide services and satellite training for the operation of heavy
29 equipment.

30 ~~(c) The permanent headquarters of the academy shall be located in~~
31 ~~Warren.~~

32 ~~(d)~~(c) The academy may operate programs in cooperation with the
33 University of Arkansas at Monticello colleges of technology located in
34 Crossett and McGehee and the Southeast Arkansas Community-Based Education
35 Center located in Warren.



1
2 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-61-532(b), regarding the operation of the
3 Arkansas Heavy Equipment Operator Training Academy, is amended to read as
4 follows:

5 (b)(1) The director will report directly to the chancellor regarding
6 the operation of the academy.

7 (2) The director shall be appointed by the Chancellor of the
8 University of Arkansas at Monticello or his or her designee.

9
10 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 6-61-533 is amended to read as follows:

11 6-61-533. Arkansas Heavy Equipment Operator Training Academy - Funding.

12 (a)(1) All legislatively appropriated funds, tuitions, grant moneys,
13 and donations designated for the Arkansas Heavy Equipment Operator Training
14 Academy shall be specifically used for the operation of the academy.

15 ~~(2) All moneys appropriated or designated for the academy shall~~
16 ~~be maintained;~~

17 ~~(A) In accounts separate from accounts for the University~~
18 ~~of Arkansas at Monticello;~~

19 ~~(B) In Bradley County financial institutions whenever~~
20 ~~possible; and~~

21 ~~(C) Following state accounting procedures and guidelines.~~

22 (2) If the General Assembly does not provide funding for the
23 Arkansas Heavy Equipment Operator Training Academy, the University of
24 Arkansas at Monticello may choose not to fund the Academy.

25 (3) The Director of the Arkansas Heavy Equipment Operator
26 Training Academy will develop, recommend, and monitor the academy's annual
27 budget.

28 (4) The chief fiscal officer of the university or his or her
29 designee shall regularly monitor academy books, banking records, accounts,
30 and expenditures.

31 (b)~~(1)~~ The academy shall remain under the supervision of the director,
32 who shall be assisted by the academy coordinator.

33 ~~(2) The Director of the Southeast Arkansas Community Based~~
34 ~~Education Center shall serve as the director of the academy.~~

35
36 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the

1 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the failure of the Arkansas
2 Heavy Equipment Operator Training Academy as a single-source academy under
3 the University of Arkansas at Monticello could result in the academy's
4 inability to finish training its currently enrolled students; and that the
5 changes in this act are immediately necessary for the continued efficient
6 operation of the academy. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and
7 this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public
8 peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

9 (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

10 (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,
11 the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the
12 bill; or

13 (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is
14 overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

15
16 */s/ Reep*

17
18 *APPROVED: 4/2/2007*