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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1462

5 By: Representatives Scott, Murdock  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO ALLOW A STATE-SUPPORTED TWO-YEAR OR FOUR-  
9 YEAR INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO DESIGNATE  
10 FROM AMONGST CURRENT STAFF MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTION  
11 OF HIGHER EDUCATION A HOMELESS AND FOSTER STUDENT  
12 LIAISON; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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16 FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
17 TO DESIGNATE FROM AMONGST CURRENT STAFF  
18 MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER  
19 EDUCATION A HOMELESS AND FOSTER STUDENT  
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 60, Subchapter 1, is amended  
27 to add an additional section to read as follows:

28 6-60-113. Homeless and foster student liaison.

29 (a) As used in this section, "institution of higher education" means a  
30 college or university that is a:

31 (1) State-supported two-year or four-year college or university;  
32 or

33 (2) Private, nonprofit two-year or four-year college or  
34 university that is eligible to receive Title IV federal student aid funds  
35 with its primary headquarters located in Arkansas.

36 (b) An institution of higher education may designate a current member



1 of the staff of the institution of higher education to serve as the liaison  
2 for students who are homeless, in foster care, or who left foster care at  
3 eighteen (18) years of age or older if the institution of higher education  
4 determines that there is a need for a liaison for students who are homeless,  
5 in foster care, or who left foster care at eighteen (18) years of age or  
6 older.

7 (c) A liaison for students who are homeless, in foster care, or who  
8 left foster care at eighteen (18) years of age or older under subsection (b)  
9 of this section shall:

10 (1) Inform prospective and current students of the institution  
11 of higher education who are homeless, in foster care, or who left foster care  
12 at eighteen (18) years of age or older about:

13 (A) Financial aid; and

14 (B) Other means of financial assistance available to the  
15 students of the institution of higher education who are homeless, in foster  
16 care, or who left foster care at eighteen (18) years of age or older; and

17 (2) Assist students of the institution of higher education who  
18 are homeless, in foster care, or who left foster care at eighteen (18) years  
19 of age or older in applying for and receiving:

20 (A) Federal and state financial aid; and

21 (B) Other available services designed to assist students  
22 who are homeless, in foster care, or who left foster care at eighteen (18)  
23 years of age or older with navigating and successfully managing course work  
24 and student life.

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26 /s/Scott

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29 **APPROVED: 3/15/21**