

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
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3 Regular Session, 2009

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1805

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5 By: Representative M. Burris
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO CREATE A STATEWIDE COMMON COURSE
10 NUMBERING SYSTEM FOR PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION
11 INSTITUTIONS; AND OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION COMMON
15 COURSE NUMBERING SYSTEM.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 61, is amended to add an
21 additional subchapter to read as follows:
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23 SUBCHAPTER 14 – Common Course Numbering System

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25 6-61-1401. Purpose.

26 The Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall implement a
27 statewide common course numbering system for general education courses that:

28 (1) Provides improved program planning;

29 (2) Increases communication among all delivery systems;

30 (3) Facilitates the transfer of students and credits between state-
31 supported institutions of higher education; and

32 (4) Promotes consistency in course designation and identification..
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34 6-61-1402. Courses included in the common course numbering system.

35 (a) The Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall develop and
36 approve a common course numbering system for lower level, general education



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2 (b) The common course numbering system adopted shall replace the
 3 course index numbers that are part of the Arkansas Course Transfer System.

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 5 6-61-1403. Additions or alterations.

6 (a) The Director of the Department of Higher Education shall recommend
 7 to the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board any additions or
 8 alterations to the common course numbering system for general education
 9 courses.

10 (b) The board, with input from the President's Council, shall consider
 11 the recommended the additions and alterations to the common course numbering
 12 system.

13 (c) Any additions or alterations to the common course numbering system
 14 shall be approved by the board.

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 16 6-61-1404. Course listings.

17 A state-supported institution of higher education shall include the
 18 common course numbers approved by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating
 19 Board in all:

- 20 (1) Course listings;
 21 (2) Course documents;
 22 (3) Catalogs; and
 23 (4) Websites.

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 25 6-61-1405. Participation by institutions of higher education that is
 26 not state-supported.

27 A institution of higher education that is not state-supported may
 28 participate in the common course numbering system if the institution has
 29 approved courses listed in the Arkansas Course Transfer System.

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 31 6-61-1406. Course review.

32 (a) The s Department of Higher Education shall annually conduct course
 33 reviews of courses that are listed in the common course numbering system.

34 (b) The department shall establish review procedures.

35 (c) The department shall promulgate rules to carry out this section.

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6-61-1407. Data collection.

(a) The Department of Higher Education shall adopt policies for the collection of data to ensure that all institutions of higher education that participate in the common course numbering system comply with the provisions of this subchapter.

(b) The department shall determine the data to be collected and annually notify each participating institution of higher education in a timely manner.

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