

**AGENDA**  
**Higher Education Subcommittee**  
**of the**  
**Arkansas Legislative Council**

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**Tuesday, August 18, 2015**  
**02:30 PM**  
**Room B, MAC**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Sen. Jason Rapert, Co-Chair  
Sen. John Cooper, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Joyce Elliott  
Sen. Stephanie Flowers  
Sen. Uvalde Lindsey  
Sen. Keith Ingram  
Sen. Jon Woods  
Sen. Jimmy Hickey, Jr  
Sen. Bill Sample, ex-officio  
Sen. Terry Rice, ex-officio

Rep. Greg Leding, Co-Chair  
Rep. Sheilla E. Lampkin, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Gary Deffenbaugh  
Rep. James Ratliff  
Rep. David Meeks  
Rep. Jeremy Gillam  
Rep. Chris Richey  
Rep. Jim Dotson  
Rep. David L. Branscum, ex-officio  
Rep. Mark Lowery, ex-officio

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- A. Call to Order – 2:30 p.m.
- B. Comments by Co-Chairs
- C. Discussion of Interim Study Proposal 2015-139 - “Requesting that the Arkansas Legislative Council and the Higher Education Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council Conduct a Study of Student Debt from Higher Education, Including the Amount of Student Debt, the Impact of Student Debt on Graduates, and Possible Solutions to Reducing the Student Debt Burden” **[Exhibit C]**
  - **The Honorable Greg Leding**, State Representative, District Representative, District 86
- D. Overview of Student Loan Debt in Arkansas
  - 1. **Dr. Brett Powell**, Director, Arkansas Department of Higher Education
  - 2. **Mr. Tony Williams**, Executive Director, Arkansas Student Loan Authority
- E. Review of the Annual Faculty Performance Report from the Arkansas Department of Higher Education Referred to the Subcommittee by the Arkansas Legislative Council **[Exhibit E]**
  - **Dr. Brett Powell**, Director, Arkansas Department of Higher Education
- F. Other Business
- G. Adjournment

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