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Jessica Whittaker, Administrator
Administrative Rules Review Section
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One Capitol Mall, 5th Floor
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Re: Act 595 Request (Act 539)

Dear Ms. Whittaker:

Based upon a review of newly enacted laws following the 2021 legislative session, the Arkansas Department of Education (ADE), Division of Higher Education (DHE), noted that Ark. Code Ann. § 6-61-1701 et seq., as amended by Act 539 of 2021, requires the Division of Higher Education to adopt rules regarding the Higher Education Consumer Guide. DHE has determined the rules to be unnecessary for the operation of the newly amended laws and does not intend to adopt the required rules. In accordance with Act 595 of 2021, DHE respectfully requests that the rules referenced above be excluded from further reporting requirements and that this request be placed upon the next agenda of the ALC Administrative Rules & Regulations Subcommittee.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (501) 682- 4752 should you have any questions or require additional information.

Respectfully,

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