

# Hall of the House of Representatives

83rd General Assembly - Regular Session, 2001

## Amendment Form

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### Subtitle of House Bill No. 2301

"AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOP A  
COMPREHENSIVE ACADEMIC CONTENT STANDARDS AND CURRICULUM  
FRAMEWORKS PLAN FOR CONSISTENCY IN COURSE WORK OFFERED BY LOCAL  
SCHOOL DISTRICTS."

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### Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 2301.

Amend House Bill No. 2301 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 13 and substitute the following:  
"AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE  
PLAN FOR CONSISTENCY AND RIGOR IN COURSE WORK OFFERED BY LOCAL SCHOOL  
DISTRICTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. "

AND

Page 1, delete lines 16 through 21 and substitute the following"  
"AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE  
PLAN FOR CONSISTENCY AND RIGOR IN COURSE WORK OFFERED BY LOCAL SCHOOL  
DISTRICTS. "

AND

Delete everything following the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. (a)(1) The State Board of Education shall develop a plan to be known as the "Comprehensive Plan for Consistency and Rigor in Course Work".

(b) The Comprehensive Plan for Consistency and Rigor in Course Work be designed to shall ensure that every child has the opportunity to learn rigorous and challenging course work by eliminating low level, general education tracts offered by districts.

(2) The Comprehensive Plan for Consistency and Rigor in Course Work may include standardizing student's transcripts

(3) High school course content standards and curriculum frameworks set forth in the Comprehensive Plan for Consistency and Rigor in Course Work shall include the information and skills necessary to enter the workforce and to succeed in the state's institutions of post-secondary

education.

(c) All classes offered by local school districts shall be based on the curriculum frameworks developed by the Department of Education and shall be academically rigorous to insure that student shall be prepared to demonstrate proficient performance on the content standards within the curriculum frameworks developed by the Department of Education.

(d) The State Board of Education shall review the Comprehensive Plan for Consistency and Rigor in Course Work and revise as necessary no less than once every five (5) years.

(e) The superintendent of each school district shall provide to the Department of Education, by October 1, 2002 and each year following the adoption of a plan under subsection (a) of this section, a written statement of assurance that the content of each class and subject area, regardless of levels, is aligned to content standards and curriculum frameworks developed by the State Board of Education in the Comprehensive Plan for Consistency and Rigor in Course Work.

(f) The Department of Education shall monitor, during the standards review visit, documentation related to the Comprehensive Plan for Consistency and Rigor in Course Work.

(g) If the Department of Education determines that any school district has failed to align the content of each class and subject area to content standards and curriculum frameworks developed by the Department of Education, the Department of Education shall cite this non-compliance on the Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public School annual report and shall file a noncompliance notation on the school's performance report under §6-15-1402 through .

(h) The State Board of Education is shall promulgate appropriate regulation necessary to carry out the requirements of this act."

**The Amendment was read \_\_\_\_\_  
By: Representative White  
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**Chief Clerk**