

ARKANSAS SENATE
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Amendment Form

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 194

"AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION APPROPRIATION FOR
THE 2007-2009 BIENNIUM."

Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill No. 194.

Amend Senate Bill No. 194 as engrossed, S3/12/07 (version: 03-12-2007 15:43):

Following Section 14, insert four sections:

"SECTION 15. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. Arkansas Code Annotated 6-63-310, concerning Reorganization and consolidation of administrative functions, is repealed:

~~(a) Upon determination by the President of the University of Arkansas that a reallocation of resources for purposes of reorganization or consolidation of administrative functions within the University of Arkansas is necessary for efficient and effective operations of the university, the president, with approval of the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas, may have the authority to transfer positions and related funds between campuses, divisions, and other budgetary units of the university.~~

~~(b)(1) The transfers of positions, programs, or activities shall be used for those purposes for which the appropriations were approved by the General Assembly.~~

~~(2) The reallocation of resources through consolidation or reorganization may include the Graduate Institute of Technology, provided that the appropriated funds or positions for this program shall not be transferred from the central Arkansas area.~~

~~(3) The transfers, consolidation, or reorganization which involve academic programs shall be reviewed by the Department of Higher Education and the Legislative Council."~~

AND

"SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. Arkansas Code Annotated 6-65-225, concerning Consolidation of administrative functions, is repealed:

~~(a) Upon determination by the President of Arkansas State University that a reallocation of resources for purposes of reorganization or consolidation of administrative functions within the university is necessary for efficient and effective operations of the university, the president, with~~



~~approval of the Board of Trustees of Arkansas State University, may have the authority to transfer positions, appropriations, and related funds between campuses, divisions, branches, and other budgetary units of the university.~~

~~(b) The transfers of positions, programs, or activities shall be used for those purposes for which the appropriations were approved by the General Assembly.~~

~~(c) The transfers, consolidation, or reorganization which involve academic programs shall be reviewed by the Department of Higher Education and the Legislative Council.";~~

AND

"SECTION 17. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. Arkansas Code Annotated 6-62-309, concerning Bonds or notes – Liability, is amended by adding a subsection:

(c) Upon a determination of the board of trustees that a reallocation of resources is necessary for the purposes of preventing a default on its indebtedness, the board of trustees has specific authority to transfer funds between and among campuses, divisions and other budgetary units of its institution of higher education. Upon exercising the authority to reallocate resources as provided by this section, the board of trustees shall report the reasons for, and the details of, such reallocations to the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee immediately thereafter.";

AND

"SECTION 18. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. EMERGENCY GRANTS & EXTRA HELP POOL. An Institution of higher education that suffers an emergency/disaster event resulting in all or a significant portion of campus operations being interrupted, may request disaster assistance through the Arkansas Department of Higher Education. Upon the declaration of an emergency by the Governor, the institution may request, subject to the recommendation of the Director of the Department of Higher Education and approval of the Governor, a grant from the Disaster Relief Fund to assist in returning that campus to operation and/or to a sister campus providing services to the students from the affected campus. Certified law enforcement officers employed by an institution of higher education may be granted jurisdiction at the sister institution, upon agreement of both institutions.

The Department of Higher Education is authorized a pool of 500 extra help positions for use in such emergency situations. These positions may be assigned to the campus suffering the disaster event or to a sister campus providing services to the students from the affected campus. The Governor may waive the 1500 hour limit of ACA 6-63-314 on these assigned extra help pool positions.

The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009.";

And renumber the sections following the above insertions.

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Joint Budget Committee

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Secretary