

Hall of the House of Representatives

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1254

TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF FALSE ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS; REQUIRE
ACCREDITATION FOR SOME POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS BEFORE
RECEIVING CERTIFICATION FROM THE ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION
COORDINATING BOARD.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1254

Amend House Bill No. 1254 as originally introduced:

Add Representative English as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, line 30, delete "an additional section" and substitute "additional sections"

AND



Page 2, delete line 18 and substitute the following language:

"misdemeanor and fined up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

6-61-136. Establishment of an accrediting agency.

An individual shall not establish or operate an accrediting agency in this state without recognition by the United States Department of Education."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 27-33 and substitute the following language:

"to receive certification for from the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board before offering educational programs from the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board coursework leading to a degree or before establishing a postsecondary educational institution unless the institution is a:

(i) State-supported institution of higher education;

(ii) School under § 6-51-601 et seq.;

(iii) School exempt from § 6-61-301 et seq.; or

(iv) School regulated by the State Board of Cosmetology."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 5-7 and substitute the following language:

"(i) School under § 6-51-601 et seq.;

(ii) School exempt from § 6-61-301 et seq.; or

(iii) School regulated by the State Board of Cosmetology."

AND

Page 3, line 12, delete "degree programs" and substitute "courses"

AND

Page 3, line 20, delete "Nonpublic colleges" and substitute "Nonpublic, not-for-profit colleges"

AND

Page 3, line 20, delete "incorporated" and substitute "incorporated₂"

AND

Page 3, delete line 21 and substitute the following language:

"recognized by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board as Arkansas independent institutions of higher education, and operating under the applicable laws of this state shall not be required"

AND

Page 3, delete line 23 and substitute the following language:

"Board or to receive licensure from the Arkansas State Board of Private Career Education."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 24-28 and substitute the following language:

"(b)(1) The Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall ~~be empowered to~~ establish the criteria required for certification and ~~to~~ may promulgate rules and regulations for the purpose of ~~carrying to carry~~ out the provisions of this chapter and ~~shall be charged with the final responsibility for decisions as required by the chapter.~~"

AND

Page 3, delete line 35 and substitute the following language:

"(B) Accredited by an entity recognized by the Council for Higher Education"

AND

Page 4, delete line 3 and substitute the following language:

"Higher Education Accreditation during the institutional planning and development period; or"

AND

Page 4, line 4, delete "In the process of applying" and substitute "An applicant"

AND

Page 4, line 6, delete "Accreditation." and substitute "Accreditation during the institutional planning and development application process."

The Amendment was read _____

By: Representative Webb

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Chief Clerk