

1 INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2015-153

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3 REQUESTING THAT THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON REVENUE AND TAXATION STUDY
4 THE PRACTICE BY INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND OTHER STATE
5 ENTITIES OF CHARGING EXCESSIVE FEES TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FOR
6 USING CREDIT CARDS IN TRANSACTIONS FOR THE PAYMENT OF TUITION,
7 SERVICES, OR GOODS.

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9 WHEREAS, institutions of higher education and other state entities
10 often accept payment from members of the public for tuition, services, or
11 goods; and

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13 WHEREAS, these institutions of higher education and other state
14 entities often accept credit cards as a form of payment from members of the
15 public for tuition, services, or goods; and

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17 WHEREAS, these institutions of higher education and other state
18 entities sometimes charge a fee to members of the public who use a credit
19 card as a form of payment for tuition, services, or goods; and

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21 WHEREAS, the fees charged by these institutions of higher education and
22 other state entities for using a credit card as a form of payment may be
23 excessive and in some cases as high as forty dollars (\$40.00) per
24 transaction,

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26 NOW THEREFORE,

27 BE IT PROPOSED BY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON REVENUE AND TAXATION OF THE
28 NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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30 THAT the House Committee on Revenue and Taxation study the practice by
31 institutions of higher education and other state entities of charging
32 excessive fees to members of the public for using credit cards in
33 transactions for the payment of certain services.

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35 Respectfully submitted,

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