

1 INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2015-183

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3 REQUESTING THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL DIRECT THE SENATE
4 COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO EXAMINE THE
5 NECESSITY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS' OPERATING TWO (2) LAW
6 SCHOOLS.

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8 WHEREAS, the State of Arkansas currently operates two (2) law
9 schools: the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville School of Law and
10 the University of Arkansas at Little Rock William H. Bowen School of
11 Law; and

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13 WHEREAS, it is not clear that the need for new attorneys in the
14 State of Arkansas is so great that it is necessary for the state to
15 operate two (2) law schools; and

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17 WHEREAS, the amount of money allocated in operating two (2) law
18 schools in the State of Arkansas rather than one (1) law school may
19 better serve the state if that money were allocated elsewhere; and

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21 WHEREAS, the need for new attorneys in the State of Arkansas may
22 be met by maintaining only one (1) law school,

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24 NOW THEREFORE,

25 BE IT PROPOSED BY THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL
26 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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28 THAT the Arkansas Legislative Council direct the Senate Committee on
29 Education to conduct a study to examine the necessity of the State of
30 Arkansas' operating two (2) law schools.

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32 Respectfully submitted,

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36 Senator Bryan King

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