REPORT OF THE

HIGHER EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE

OF THE

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

November 15, 2019

Senator Bledsoe and Representative Wardlaw, Co-Chairs:

The Higher Education Subcommittee met Wednesday, November 13, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. in MAC B, Little Rock, Arkansas. The Subcommittee's agenda was to hear:

Input From Public 2-Year and 4-Year Higher Education Institutions Regarding the Productivity Funding Formula's Impact.

From a system president to chancellors from various 2-year and 4-year institutions, both system-based and independent, information and suggestions shared with the subcommittee included:

- Possibly set aside institutions with similar goals
- Can excel in a category, but need more students
- Have a data-based 3 or 4-year review of the formula
- The 2% cap serves as a "guard rail"
- Some institutions have gained funding; other institutions have lost funding; some will do better in the future, but it will take time to see results of changes

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