May 17, 2012

Senator Mary Ann Salmon, Senate Co-Chair Representative Tommy Lee Baker, House Co-Chair Arkansas Legislative Council 315 State Capitol Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Salmon and Representative Baker:

## Your Subcommittee on Higher Education met at 1 p.m. May 17, 2012 in Room A MAC to hear testimony on the following:

- A report from Mr. Shane Broadway, Interim Director of the Arkansas Department of Higher Education, on student debt in Arkansas's state-funded higher education institutions.
- A presentation by Mr. Broadway and Dr. Neal Gibson of the Arkansas Department of Education-Arkansas Research Center, on the Arkansas Education to Employment Report.
- A presentation by Mr. Broadway and Dr. Gibson of Preliminary Findings on the Academic Challenge Scholarships as required by Act 1222 of 2011.
- An update by Mr. Broadway on implementation of Act 747 of 2011, "TO EXPAND THE ROGER PHILLIPS TRANSFER POLICY".
- A report by Mr. Broadway on issues relating to ADHE regulation of out-of-state institutions offering courses in Arkansas.

Sincerely,	
Sen. Sue Madison	Rep. Johnnie Roebuck
Senate Co-Chair	House Co-Chair