

First Special Session of 1987

By: Senator Bell

S.C.R. 4

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO MAKE A STUDY OF THE VARIOUS PROGRAMS, POLICIES AND PRACTICES AT THE RESPECTIVE STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING.

WHEREAS, the future of higher education in Arkansas is dependent on the effective and efficient administration of the various programs and services provided by the respective institutions of higher education in the State; and

WHEREAS, the current shortage of public funds available for the support of higher education dictates that a thorough study be made of the various programs, practices and policies at the various institutions of higher education in the State in order to determine the most appropriate actions to be taken to assure that such institutions are effectively and efficiently administering the programs and services provided at the institutions,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE SEVENTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

There is hereby created a special committee to be known as the "Committee on Higher Education" to be composed of fifteen members to be appointed as follows: three members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House; three members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tem of the Senate; three members appointed by the Governor; three members appointed by the State Board of Higher Education; and three members appointed by the Association of Presidents and Chancellors of the State-supported colleges and universities.

The committee shall, at its first meeting, choose from its

membership, a chairman and vice chairman and such other officers as it deems appropriate. The committee shall meet at such time and at such places as it shall deem necessary or appropriate to conduct its business.

The committee shall conduct a study of the various programs, practices and policies of the respective institutions of higher education in the State including accountability in the overall cost of administration, the duplication and efficiency of various programs, athletic expenditures and deficits, student tuition and State support, teacher workload, admission standards, and such other matters as the committee deems appropriate.

The committee shall report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the General Assembly, on or before January 1, 1988.

Upon filing of its final report with the General Assembly the committee shall terminate. □