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By: Representatives Landers and Mitchell

HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO REVIEW THE
ISSUE OF VARYING GRADING SCALES CURRENTLY IN USE IN THE
SCHOOLS OF ARKANSAS, AND TO RECOMMEND AS EARLY AS PRACTICAL,
A STANDARDIZED GRADING SCALE TO BE UTILIZED BY ALL THE SCHOOL
DISTRICTS OF THIS STATE.

WHEREAS, a recent report issued to the Education Committee of the House
of Representatives identified widely varying grading scales in use by the
various school districts in Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, students earning a 94% average in one school district might
earn a grade of "A", while the same average might only earn a grade of "B" in
another school district; and

WHEREAS, competition for academic and athletic scholarships has become
very intense and many students have been placed in unfair positions merely as
a result of arbitrary and inconsistent grading scales,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

That the House of Representatives of the Seventy-Seventh General Assembly
of the State of Arkansas urges the Arkansas State Board of Education to review
the issue of varying grading scales currently in use in the schools of
Arkansas, and to recommend a standardized grading scale as soon as practical
for use by all the school districts of Arkansas.