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By: Representatives Kerr, Wilson, Fuller, Hutchinson,

Keet and McGee

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 6, CHAPTER 15 TO PROVIDE HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT TO STUDENTS ENROLLED IN CERTAIN COLLEGE COURSES; TO ESTABLISH A UNIFORM GRADING SCALE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND TO ESTABLISH UNIFORM ACADEMIC STANDARDS FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR ATHLETICS AND OTHER EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 15 is amended to add an additional subchapter to read as follows:

"SUBCHAPTER 7.

6-15-701. For the purposes of this subchapter, "advanced placement course" means a course of instruction that qualifies for college credit and that is approved for credit as a high school course by the State Board of Education.

6-15-702. (a) The following grading scale shall be used by all public schools in the state for all advanced placement courses and all other courses offered:

- (1) A = 93-100;
- (2) B = 83-92;
- (3) C = 70-82;
- (4) D = 60-69; and
- (5) F = 59 and below.

(b) Each letter grade shall given a numeric value for the purpose of

determining grade average.

(1) Except for advanced placement courses, the numeric value for each letter grade shall be:

- (A) A = 4 points;
- (B) B = 3 points;
- (C) C = 2 points;
- (D) D = 1 point; and
- (E) F = 0 points.

(2) For advanced placement courses the numeric value for each letter grade shall be:

- (A) A = 5 points;
- (B) B = 4 points;
- (C) C = 3 points;
- (D) D = 2 points; and
- (E) F = 0 points.

(c) A notation shall be made on a student's transcript to indicated each special education class included on the transcript.

6-15-703. (a) To be eligible for athletics or any other extracurricular activity of a public school a student must have at least a 2.0 grade point average in courses required for graduation.

(b) A student who receives an "F", for any grading period of six weeks or more, in a course required for graduation shall be ineligible for athletics and any other extracurricular activity of the public school during the next grading period during the same school year."

SECTION 2. The provisions of this Act shall apply beginning with the 1990-91 school year.

SECTION 3. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.