

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**
4 **By: Representative Mahony**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1042

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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE
9 POSTSECONDARY PREPARATORY CORE CURRICULUM BY ENROLLING
10 FRESHMEN BEFORE ENTERING A BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAM IN A
11 STATE SUPPORTED FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY; AND FOR
12 OTHER PURPOSES."

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

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16 SECTION 1. (a) *Except as provided in (b) below, beginning with the*
17 *1995-96 academic year, only those enrolling freshmen who have successfully*
18 *completed the minimum core of high school courses recommended for preparation*
19 *for higher education as set forth by the Department of Higher Education*
20 *pursuant to Ark. Code §6-61-217, or its equivalent in another state, with a*
21 *minimum grade point of 2.75 or its equivalent or, in the alternative, meet all*
22 *other admission requirements and achieve a minimum of 23 on the American*
23 *College Test Service (ACT) examination or its equivalent as designated by the*
24 *State Board of Higher Education shall be eligible for admittance to enroll in*
25 *a bachelor's degree program in a state supported four-year college or*
26 *university.*

27 (b) *Persons meeting all of the following qualifications shall be*
28 *excluded from the requirements of (a) above:*

29 (1) *Those who graduated from high school more than three years*
30 *prior to application for enrollment in the four-year institution of higher*
31 *education;*

32 (2) *Who do not live within thirty-five (35) miles of a public two-*
33 *year institution of higher education whose courses are accepted for transfer*
34 *by public four-year institutions; and*

35 (3) *Who do live within thirty-five (35) miles of a four-year*

1 *public institution.*

2 (c) *The State Board of Higher Education is authorized to promulgate*
3 *rules and regulations necessary for the proper implementation of this act,*
4 *including any record keeping and reporting requirements to assure compliance*
5 *with this act.*

6 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
7 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
8 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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10 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
11 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
12 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
13 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
14 act are declared to be severable.

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16 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
17 hereby repealed.

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19 /*s/J. Mahony*

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