

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
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4 **By: Representative Mahony**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1323

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF
9 HIGHER EDUCATION AND BOARDS OF PUBLICLY SUPPORTED
10 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL COMPLETE
11 INSTRUCTION AND TRAINING IN THE DUTIES AND
12 RESPONSIBILITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THEIR POSITIONS WITHIN
13 ONE (1) YEAR OF THEIR APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION; AND FOR
14 OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

17 "TO REQUIRE THAT MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF HIGHER
18 EDUCATION HAVE TRAINING IN THEIR DUTIES AND
19 RESPONSIBILITIES."

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

23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-61-202(a) is hereby amended to read as
24 follows:

25 "(a) In order to promote a coordinated system of higher education in
26 Arkansas and to assure an orderly and effective development of each of the
27 publicly supported institutions of higher education, the board shall have the
28 following powers and duties:

29 (1) To receive within one (1) year of their appointment and each
30 year thereafter a minimum of eight (8) clock hours of instruction and training
31 to include higher education issues, policies, laws, and the duties and
32 responsibilities associated with the position of board member. *The members of*
33 *the boards of all publicly supported institutions of higher education shall*
34 *receive similar instruction and training within one (1) year of their*
35 *appointment or election and each year thereafter, which shall be conducted by*

1 the individual institutions.

2 (2) Along with its director, to be responsible, within fiscal and
3 staff capabilities, for directing an integrated program for defining,
4 popularizing, and securing acceptance of the major goals and objectives of
5 higher education in Arkansas and for relating them to the state's various
6 problems.

7 (3) To request and receive any information from the publicly
8 supported institutions of higher education as the board deems necessary for
9 the performance of its duties.

10 (4) To promulgate and adopt uniform definitions and forms in such
11 matters as financial reporting, academic statistics, and resident status of
12 students for use in making financial recommendations and standard enrollment
13 data to be followed by the institutions of higher learning.

14 (5) To determine the need for and recommend to the Governor and
15 the General Assembly the establishment and location of any new institutions
16 and to recommend, when appropriate, changes in names of existing
17 state-supported institutions of higher learning.

18 (6) To recommend the level of funding and the method of
19 distribution of state-supported scholarships and loan programs and to seek the
20 cooperation of the state-supported institutions of higher learning to develop
21 policies to coordinate all student loan and scholarship programs, including
22 those federally financed.

23 (7) To review all proposed bond issues to be made by any public
24 institution of higher learning and to advise the board of trustees of each of
25 the respective institutions as to economic feasibility thereof, as set forth
26 in § 6-62-306."

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

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32 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
33 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
34 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
35 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this

1 act are declared to be severable.

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

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