

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
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4 **By: Senator Hardin**

A Bill

SENATE BILL 751

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED § 6-53-301 TO
9 PROVIDE FOR THE ABOLISHMENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A
10 TECHNICAL COLLEGE FAILING TO ACHIEVE HIGHER EDUCATION
11 INSTITUTIONAL *ACCREDITATION* STATUS AND OPERATION OF THE
12 INSTITUTION AS A TECHNICAL INSTITUTE OR COMPREHENSIVE
13 LIFELONG LEARNING CENTER UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE
14 STATE BOARD OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER
15 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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18 "TO PROVIDE FOR THE ABOLISHMENT OF BOARDS OF TRUSTEES OF
19 TECHNICAL COLLEGES FAILING TO ACHIEVE *ACCREDITATION*
20 STATUS."

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

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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-53-301(g) is hereby amended to read as
25 follows:

26 "(g) (1) The board of trustees of any technical college that fails to
27 achieve higher education institutional accreditation from the North Central
28 Association, Commission on Institutions of Higher Education *within six (6)*
29 *years following the date of transfer under subsection (e)* shall be abolished.

30 (2) At the time the board of trustees is abolished, all records,
31 personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or
32 other funds of the technical college shall be transferred to the State Board
33 of Vocational Education. The Governor shall appoint a five (5) member board
34 of directors pursuant to § 6-51-903 and the school shall be operated as a
35 technical institute or comprehensive lifelong learning center pursuant to § 6-

1 51-901 et seq. All personnel shall be placed in the state compensation pay
2 plan under the direction of the State Board of Vocational Education.

3 (3) The amount of Work Force 2000 funds allocated to the
4 technical college during the preceding year plus the funds allocated to a
5 college providing the academic courses for the institution in the preceding
6 year or an amount equaling the average Work Force 2000 funds approved by the
7 State Board of Vocational Education to be allocated to the vocational
8 technical institutions under the Vocational and Technical Education Division
9 in the preceding year, whichever is larger, shall be transferred to the State
10 Board of Vocational Education.

11 (4) *A technical college that was not a postsecondary vocational-*
12 *technical school prior to the board's designation as a technical college shall*
13 *be exempt from the provisions of this subsection."*

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

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19 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
20 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
21 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
22 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
23 act are declared to be severable.

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

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/s/Senator Hardin

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