

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1496

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REVISE THE DUTIES OF THE ARKANSAS ALCOHOL  
AND DRUG ABUSE COORDINATING COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER  
PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO REVISE THE DUTIES OF THE ARKANSAS  
ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COORDINATING  
COUNCIL.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-64-1003 is amended to read as follows:

20-64-1003. Arkansas Alcohol and Drug Abuse Coordinating Council –  
Functions, ~~powers,~~ and duties.

~~(a) The Arkansas Alcohol and Drug Abuse Coordinating Council shall have the responsibility for overseeing all planning, budgeting, and implementation of expenditures of state and federal funds allocated for alcohol and drug education, prevention, treatment, and law enforcement.~~

~~(b)~~(a) The ~~coordinating council~~ Arkansas Alcohol and Drug Abuse Coordinating Council shall have the following functions, powers, and duties:

(1) ~~All federal money received by the State of Arkansas for drug law enforcement, education, or prevention shall be reviewed by the coordinating council for disbursement, accountability, and evaluation~~  
Identify opportunities for coordination and collaboration on prevention initiatives serving the same populations, utilizing common strategies, or aiming to achieve similar goals and outcomes;

(2) ~~The coordinating council shall review~~ Review and coordinate



all school-based drug education, prevention, and awareness programs and efforts funded by the state;

(3) Promote implementation of best practices for prevention at the state and local levels; and

(4) Serve, as requested, in an advisory role to required state agencies involved in alcohol and drug abuse prevention.

~~(e)~~(b) The coordinating council shall assist community-based prevention councils in planning and coordinating prevention activities, promoting innovative programs, developing stable funding sources, and disseminating current information. These local councils should be racially balanced and shall include at least one (1) representative from each of the following groups:

- (1) One (1) law enforcement officer;
- (2) One (1) school board member;
- (3) One (1) school administrator;
- (4) One (1) school teacher;
- (5) One (1) parent;
- (6) One (1) student;
- (7) One (1) alcohol and drug abuse program director; and
- (8) One (1) health professional.

~~(d)~~(c) The coordinating council shall develop training and education programs for criminal justice personnel in drug-related matters in conjunction with the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy.

~~(e)~~~~(1)~~(d)(1) The coordinating council shall have authority to develop its rules of procedure to include the establishment of a committee structure for the approval of funding and other purposes.

(2) Committees shall include, but not be limited to, a prevention, and education, ~~and treatment~~ committee chaired by the ~~Director of the Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention~~ Director of the Division of Behavioral Health of the Department of Human Services or his or her designee, and a law enforcement committee.

~~(f) The coordinating council shall establish advocacy groups among the business community and youth population of this state.~~

~~(g)~~(e) The coordinating council shall work with all federal, state, county, and local law enforcement agencies to ensure an integrated system of enforcement activities.

~~(h)~~(f) The coordinating council shall perform other functions as may be necessary to carry out the functions, ~~powers,~~ and duties as set forth in this subchapter.