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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1698

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION  
COORDINATING BOARD TO DEVELOP AND ADOPT A POLICY ON  
THE TIMELY REPORTING OF GRADES TO STUDENTS; AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION  
COORDINATING BOARD TO DEVELOP AN ADOPT A  
POLICY ON THE TIMELY REPORTING OF GRADES  
TO STUDENTS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 61, Subchapter 2, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

6-61-233. Timely reporting of term grades to students.

(a) On or before November 1, 2013, the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board, in collaboration with state-supported institutions of higher education, shall develop and adopt a policy addressing the timely reporting of term course grades to students.

(b)(1) The policy shall require a state-supported institution to notify a student of the student's term course grades for the most recently completed term at least one (1) week before the final day to drop classes the following term.

(2) The policy shall ensure that a student is given ample notice of his or her grades for the previously completed term and has time to drop a class without penalties if necessary based on the grades the student received



in the most recently completed term.

(c)(1) The Department of Higher Education shall monitor the compliance of state-supported institutions of higher education with this section.

(2) A state-supported institution of higher education that is not in compliance with this section shall not be eligible to accept state aid from the Higher Education Grants Fund Account on behalf of a student.

(d) As used in this section "term" means the end of a quarter or semester, depending on how a state-supported institution of higher education elects to structure the academic year.