

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

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A Bill

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By: Representative Lowery

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS
CODE CONCERNING POSTSECONDARY REMEDIATION; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE
ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING POSTSECONDARY
REMEDICATION.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-62-107 is amended to read as follows:

6-62-107. Reduction of state funds expended on remediation.

(a) As a condition for receiving state funds, ~~all public two-year and four-year institutions~~ a state-supported institution of higher education shall report the following information by October 1 of each year to the Department of Higher Education in a format ~~developed~~ determined by the department ~~in consultation with the institutions~~:

(1) The total direct and indirect costs of remediation for the previous academic year; and

(2) All sources of revenue, by amount and source, used to fund direct and indirect costs of all remedial courses and programs, including the:

(A) Amount of institutional revenue;

(B) Total general revenue subsidy;

(C) Total institutional expenditure; and

(D) General revenue percentage of total expenditures.



(b) The department shall develop ~~a system~~ the methodology that shall be used by each state-supported institution of higher education to calculate the total amount of state funds spent each academic year on remediation of first-time entering freshmen students.

(c)(1) The amount spent on remediation at ~~public~~ a four-year educational institutions state-supported institution of higher education shall not exceed the amount spent as of the 1996-1997 ~~school~~ academic year.

(2) A four-year state-supported institution of higher education shall reduce the amount spent on remediation by a minimum of ten percent (10%) per academic year until the total amount spent on remediation at the four-year state-supported institution of higher education reaches fifty percent (50%) of the amount spent on remediation in the 2010-2011 academic year.

(3)(A) Before the 2018-2019 academic year, a four-year state-supported institution of higher education that reduces the total amount spent on remediation by a minimum of ten percent (10%) in an academic year may keep the total amount saved on remediation, up to fifty percent (50%) of the amount spent on remediation in the 2010-2011 academic year, and use the funds for other educational purposes.

(B) A four-year state-supported institution of higher education that fails to reduce the total amount spent on remediation by a minimum of fifty percent (50%) by the 2018-2019 academic year shall be funded under § 6-61-229.

/s/Lowery