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A Bill

SENATE BILL 681

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
9 TO HIRE AN INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT TO ADVISE THE
10 DEPARTMENT ON METHODS OF PROVIDING STUDENT DATA TO
11 THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH UNDER THE ARKANSAS
12 SCHOLARSHIP LOTTERY ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 EDUCATION TO HIRE AN INDEPENDENT
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19 BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH UNDER THE
20 ARKANSAS SCHOLARSHIP LOTTERY ACT.
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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26 SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. (a)(1) The Department of Higher Education
27 shall hire a consultant with expertise in federal privacy laws, the
28 collection of student data, and methods of providing de-identified student
29 data to state legislative agencies for research.

30 (2) The cost of hiring a consultant is an expense of the
31 department for administering scholarships under the Arkansas Academic
32 Challenge Scholarship Program – Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship
33 Program – Part 2, § 6-85-201 et seq., and shall be reimbursed to the
34 department by the Arkansas Lottery Commission.

35 (b) The contract for the consultant's services shall require that the
36 consultant shall:



1 (1) Provide advice and technical assistance concerning the
2 provision of student data under §§ 6-85-216 and 6-85-217 to the Bureau of
3 Legislative Research;

4 (2) Provide a written report to the department and to the
5 Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative Oversight Committee; and

6 (3) Be available to testify one (1) or more times before the
7 Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative Oversight Committee.

8 (c) By December 31, 2011, the department shall report to the committee
9 on the methods the department and institutions of higher education will use
10 to deliver the student data to the bureau under §§ 6-85-216 and 6-85-217.

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