1 State of Arkansas As Engrossed: H3/2/01 A Bill 2 83rd General Assembly Act 1121 of 2001 HOUSE BILL 1826 3 Regular Session, 2001 4 By: Representatives White, J. Elliott, Green, G. Jeffress, C. Johnson, Salmon 5 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 9 AN ACT TO REQUIRE A UNIFORM GRADING SCALE FOR NON-TRADITIONAL HIGH SCHOOL COURSES; AND FOR 10 11 OTHER PURPOSES. 12 **Subtitle** 13 AN ACT TO REQUIRE A UNIFORM GRADING 14 15 SCALE FOR NON-TRADITIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 16 COURSES. 17 18 19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 6-15-902(c), pertaining to advance placement 21 22 and college courses, is amended to read as follows: (c)(1) The State Board of Education shall adopt appropriate equivalents 23 for advanced placement and college courses and shall recommend a uniform 24 grading structure for honors courses. 25 26 (2) The numeric grade for college courses taken by high school students, which qualify for college credit, and are approved for credit as a 27 high school course, shall be equal to the numeric grade value for advanced 28 29 placement courses which are substantially the same as the college course. (3) The local school board may decide whether to adopt a policy 30 31 to allow high school students in the district to take college courses for 32 weighted credit equal to the numeric grade awarded in advance placement and 33 honors classes. (B) If a local school board adopts a policy as set forth in 34 35 subdivision (c)(3)(A) of this section, the district must apply to the Department of Education through the Assistant Director for Accountability for 36

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1	approval of courses to be designated "concurrent enrollment college courses".
2	The application shall be reviewed for approval to assign a numeric grade
3	value, which may include weighted credit, based on the following:
4	(i) Letter from the superintendent of the district or
5	principal of the school describing how the course exceeds expectations for
6	coursework required under the Standards for Accreditation, Arkansas Public
7	School s.
8	(ii) The grade level or levels of students who will be
9	enrolled in the course.
10	/s/ White, et al.
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