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ARKANSAS DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION
RULES GOVERNING THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER ACT
Proposed Effective January 2022

1.00 AUTHORITY

- 1.01 The Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board's authority for promulgating these Rules is pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 6-60-116 and Act 958 of 2021.
- 1.02 These Rules shall be known as the Arkansas Division of Higher Education ("Division") Rules Governing the Star-Spangled Banner Act.

2.00 LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS

The Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board notes that the Arkansas General Assembly finds that:

- 2.01 It is of the utmost importance that Arkansas youth learn the importance of the national anthem, "The Star-Spangled Banner";
- 2.02 The regular playing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" will foster patriotism and celebrate the common American experience; and
- 2.03 "The Star-Spangled Banner" should be played in solemn observance and recognition for the men and women who have sacrificed their lives in defense of the American Experiment.

3.00 BROADCAST POLICY

- 3.01 Each state-supported institution of higher education shall adopt a policy requiring the broadcast of "The Star-Spangled Banner" at the commencement of each school-sanctioned sporting event.
- 3.01.1 If any part of two (2) or more school-sanctioned sporting events occur on the same day at the same school, a state-supported institution of higher education may choose to broadcast "The Star-Spangled Banner" at only one (1) of the events.
- 3.02 Each state-supported institution of higher education shall select for broadcast, any recording of "The Star-Spangled Banner" that includes the lyrics from the first verse written by Francis Scott Key or is the standard arrangement or standard instrumental version used by U.S. military bands or similar arrangement or version.

3.03 A state-supported institution of higher education may adopt a policy that allows the performance of "The Star-Spangled Banner" at school-sanctioned sporting events:

3.03.1 From original sheet music that adheres to division rules and is performed by a school-sanctioned band program;

3.03.2 From original sheet music that adheres to division rules and is performed by a school-sanctioned chorale program, vocal group, or vocalist; or

3.03.3 By the attendees of a school-sanctioned event led by a vocalist selected by the state-supported institution of higher education hosting the school-sanctioned event.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION RULES GOVERNING THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER ACT

The rules outline the requirements per Act 958 of 2021 regarding the broadcast and performance of “The Star-Spangled Banner” at the commencement of school-sanctioned sporting events. The rules also include requirements regarding the permissible versions or arrangements of “The Star-Spangled Banner” that state-supported institutions of higher education may select for broadcast or performance.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS COMPLETELY

DEPARTMENT _____
DIVISION _____
PERSON COMPLETING THIS STATEMENT _____
TELEPHONE NO. _____ FAX NO. _____ EMAIL: _____

To comply with Ark. Code Ann. § 25-15-204(e), please complete the following Financial Impact Statement and file two (2) copies with the Questionnaire and proposed rules.

SHORT TITLE OF THIS RULE

1. Does this proposed, amended, or repealed rule have a financial impact? Yes No
2. Is the rule based on the best reasonably obtainable scientific, technical, economic, or other evidence and information available concerning the need for, consequences of, and alternatives to the rule?
Yes No
3. In consideration of the alternatives to this rule, was this rule determined by the agency to be the least costly rule considered? Yes No

If an agency is proposing a more costly rule, please state the following:

- a) How the additional benefits of the more costly rule justify its additional cost;
- b) The reason for adoption of the more costly rule;
- c) Whether the more costly rule is based on the interests of public health, safety, or welfare, and if so, please explain; and
- d) Whether the reason is within the scope of the agency's statutory authority, and if so, please explain.

4. If the purpose of this rule is to implement a federal rule or regulation, please state the following:

a) What is the cost to implement the federal rule or regulation?

Current Fiscal Year

Next Fiscal Year

General Revenue _____
Federal Funds _____
Cash Funds _____
Special Revenue _____
Other (Identify) _____

General Revenue _____
Federal Funds _____
Cash Funds _____
Special Revenue _____
Other (Identify) _____

Total _____

Total _____

b) What is the additional cost of the state rule?

Current Fiscal Year

Next Fiscal Year

General Revenue _____
Federal Funds _____
Cash Funds _____
Special Revenue _____
Other (Identify) _____

General Revenue _____
Federal Funds _____
Cash Funds _____
Special Revenue _____
Other (Identify) _____

Total _____

Total _____

5. What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to any private individual, entity and business subject to the proposed, amended, or repealed rule? Identify the entity(ies) subject to the proposed rule and explain how they are affected.

Current Fiscal Year

Next Fiscal Year

\$ _____

\$ _____

6. What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to state, county, and municipal government to implement this rule? Is this the cost of the program or grant? Please explain how the government is affected.

Current Fiscal Year

Next Fiscal Year

\$ _____

\$ _____

7. With respect to the agency's answers to Questions #5 and #6 above, is there a new or increased cost or obligation of at least one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) per year to a private individual, private entity, private business, state government, county government, municipal government, or to two (2) or more of those entities combined?

Yes No

If YES, the agency is required by Ark. Code Ann. § 25-15-204(e)(4) to file written findings at the time of filing the financial impact statement. The written findings shall be filed simultaneously with the financial impact statement and shall include, without limitation, the following:

- (1) a statement of the rule's basis and purpose;
- (2) the problem the agency seeks to address with the proposed rule, including a statement of whether a rule is required by statute;
- (3) a description of the factual evidence that:
 - (a) justifies the agency's need for the proposed rule; and
 - (b) describes how the benefits of the rule meet the relevant statutory objectives and justify the rule's costs;
- (4) a list of less costly alternatives to the proposed rule and the reasons why the alternatives do not adequately address the problem to be solved by the proposed rule;
- (5) a list of alternatives to the proposed rule that were suggested as a result of public comment and the reasons why the alternatives do not adequately address the problem to be solved by the proposed rule;
- (6) a statement of whether existing rules have created or contributed to the problem the agency seeks to address with the proposed rule and, if existing rules have created or contributed to the problem, an explanation of why amendment or repeal of the rule creating or contributing to the problem is not a sufficient response; and
- (7) an agency plan for review of the rule no less than every ten (10) years to determine whether, based upon the evidence, there remains a need for the rule including, without limitation, whether:
 - (a) the rule is achieving the statutory objectives;
 - (b) the benefits of the rule continue to justify its costs; and
 - (c) the rule can be amended or repealed to reduce costs while continuing to achieve the statutory objectives.