

## **Legislative Mandate For Student Database**

In 1996, the Alabama legislature adopted a series of bills related to higher education, one of which became known as the "student database" law. Act 96-509 became law and is recorded in Section 16-5-7 of the Commission's statute. The legislation requires ACHE to "design and establish a state university and college electronic student unit record system to provide comprehensive, meaningful, and timely information pertinent to the formulation of decisions and recommendations by the commission."

For a copy of the statute, refer to [www.legislature.state.al.us/codeofalabama/1975/16-5-7.htm](http://www.legislature.state.al.us/codeofalabama/1975/16-5-7.htm)

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