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**Subject:** 405.1 Update -- Item Probably NOT Up for Vote in Nov. & ADG Story Likely Out Tomorrow

A few updates everyone.

First, I was just informed by a reporter from the Arkansas Democrat Gazette that the UA System has released a statement indicating that the proposed rule changes will NOT be up for a vote at the Nov. 8 & 9 meeting. Instead, the item will be introduced and there will be some general discussion about the proposals and the reasons for them. I haven't seen the statement myself. But I have no reason to doubt the accuracy of what the reporter told me. This is a very positive development. And I think it demonstrates the impact of the collective activity of the various constituencies within the UA System and many outside of it. With that said, we still need a major turnout at the trustees meeting whenever the proposals are on the agenda to reflect the opposition of faculty, staff, and others. The proposed changes have not been withdrawn. So we must operate on the assumption that this process is going to continue for the foreseeable future.

Second, the Arkansas Democrat Gazette is probably going to have a story out tomorrow about the proposed changes. Wednesday at the latest.

Third, TaxProfBlog, one of the leading blogs in the legal field, posted a short story about the proposed changes over the weekend. The posting is available [here](#).

Thanks to everyone for their involvement on this matter.

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