

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

Act 1531 of the Regular Session

1 State of Arkansas
2 85th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2005
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1376

5 By: Representative Abernathy
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A "GROWTH POOL" OF POSITIONS
10 FOR TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION;
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A GROWTH POOL OF
15 POSITIONS FOR TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF
16 HIGHER EDUCATION.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Establishment of a growth pool.

22 (a)(1) The Department of Higher Education or its successor agency
23 shall establish and maintain for the 2005-2007 biennium a pool of two hundred
24 (200) non-classified positions at a salary level not to exceed sixty thousand
25 dollars (\$60,000) per year.

26 (2) These positions are to be used by two-year institutions of
27 higher education in the event that the personnel service needs of the two-
28 year institutions of higher education during the 2005-2007 biennium exceed
29 the number of positions allocated to the two-year institutions of higher
30 education by the General Assembly.

31 (3) The two-year institutions of higher education shall provide
32 justification to the Department of Higher Education or its successor agency
33 for the need to allocate titles from this growth pool.

34 (4) No classifications shall be assigned to the pool until such
35 time as specific positions are requested by the two-year institutions of



1 higher education, approved by the institution's board or its designee, and
2 reviewed by the Legislative Council.

3 (b)(1) The Office of Personnel Management of the Department of Finance
4 and Administration shall establish and maintain for the 2005-2007 biennium a
5 pool of one hundred (100) classified positions not to exceed a grade twenty
6 six (26).

7 (2) These positions are to be used by the two-year institutions
8 of higher education in the event that the personnel service needs of the two-
9 year institutions of higher education during the 2005-2007 biennium exceed
10 the number of positions in a classification allocated to the two-year
11 institutions of higher education by the General Assembly.

12 (3) The two-year institutions of higher education shall provide
13 justification to the Office of Personnel Management for the need to allocate
14 titles from this growth pool.

15 (4) No classifications shall be assigned to the pool until such
16 time as specific positions are requested by the two-year institutions of
17 higher education, recommended by the Office of Personnel Management of the
18 Department of Finance and Administration, and reviewed by the Legislative
19 Council.

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21 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
22 General Assembly that Act 7 of the 2nd Extraordinary Session of the 84th
23 General Assembly providing a growth pool of positions for two-year colleges
24 expires on June 30, 2005; and that the two-year colleges are still growing at
25 an unprecedented rate and if the growth pool is not continued the colleges
26 will be unable to serve their students properly. Therefore, an emergency is
27 declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the
28 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective
29 on July 1, 2005.

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32 **APPROVED: 4/05/2005**
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