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4 **By: Representative Dawson**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO
9 CLARIFY THE NAME OF SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY - TECH."

Subtitle

12 "TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO CLARIFY
13 THE NAME OF SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY - TECH."

15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

17 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 6-61-102 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 "6-61-102. Applicability of §§ 6-61-101 - 6-61-103, 6-61-201 -
19 6-61-209, 6-61-211 - 6-61-216, 6-61-301 - 6-61-306, 6-61-401, 6-61-402,
20 6-61-501 - 6-61-524, 6-61-601 - 6-61-612.

21 SAU - Tech and the El Dorado Branch of Southern Arkansas University
22 shall be exempt from the provisions of §§ 6-61-101 - 6-61-103, 6-61-201 -
23 6-61-209, 6-61-211 - 6-61-216, 6-61-301 - 6-61-306, 6-61-401, 6-61-402,
24 6-61-501 - 6-61-524, 6-61-601 - 6-61-612."

26 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 6-65-404 is hereby amended to read as follow:

27 "6-65-404. SAU - Tech.

28 (a) The Board of Trustees and the President of Southern Arkansas
29 University shall operate SAU - Tech as a technical division of Southern
30 Arkansas University.

31 (b) The Board of Trustees of Southern Arkansas University, through the
32 President of Southern Arkansas University, is authorized to establish
33 appropriate rules and regulations for the operation of SAU - Tech.

34 (c) The Board of Trustees of Southern Arkansas University shall operate
35 the properties belonging to the division in accordance with the terms of and

1 for the respective purposes as set forth in the conveyance and agreements by
2 which the properties were donated to the State Board for Vocational
3 Education."

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5 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 6-65-405 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 "6-65-405. SAU - Tech Advisory Committee.

7 (a) There is established for SAU - Tech an advisory committee.

8 (b)(1) The advisory committee shall consist of nine (9) resident
9 electors of this state to be appointed by the Governor.

10 (2) Members of the advisory committee shall be appointed from the state
11 at large and shall consist of persons who, because of education, business, or
12 technical knowledge, training, or experience, have a demonstrated interest in
13 advanced vocational-technical training.

14 (c) The members of the advisory committee shall be appointed for nine-
15 year staggered terms.

16 (d) Members of the advisory committee shall organize by electing one
17 (1) of their members chairman and electing such other officers as the
18 committee may determine.

19 (e) Members of the advisory committee shall serve without pay but shall
20 be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses for meals, lodging, and
21 travel incurred in attending meetings of the advisory committee.

22 (f) The advisory committee shall advise the Board of Trustees of
23 Southern Arkansas University and the Director of SAU - Tech with respect to
24 all aspects of the programs, activities, and operation of SAU - Tech."

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26 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code 6-65-408(a) is hereby amended to read as
27 follows:

28 "(a) Moneys appropriated by the General Assembly for the operation,
29 construction, and equipment of the Magnolia Campus, SAU - Tech, and the El
30 Dorado Branch of Southern Arkansas University shall be made by separate
31 appropriations in order to assure each campus of its intended level of
32 support."

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34 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code 6-65-409 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 "6-65-409. Housing allowance for Chancellor of SAU - Tech.

1 Upon approval by the Southern Arkansas University Board of Trustees, the
2 Chancellor of SAU - Tech may receive a housing allowance in an amount not to
3 exceed four hundred dollars (\$400) per month in lieu of college housing."
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5 SECTION 6. Arkansas Code 12-13-201 is hereby amended to read as
6 follows:

7 "12-13-201. Construction, operation, etc.

8 The State Board of Education shall construct a fire training academy at
9 the Southern Arkansas University, SAU - Tech, and shall maintain and operate
10 at the academy a fire service training program."
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12 SECTION 7. Arkansas Code 12-13-203 is hereby amended to read as
13 follows:

14 "12-13-203. Duties of board.

15 The Arkansas Fire Training Academy Board shall have the authority and
16 responsibility to advise the Chancellor at Southern Arkansas University, SAU -
17 Tech, on service needs, curriculum, instructional content, and problems at the
18 Fire Training Academy and the appointment and retention of the Director of the
19 Arkansas Fire Training Academy."
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21 SECTION 8. Arkansas Code 19-5-303(j) (1) is hereby amended to read as
22 follows:

23 "(j) (1) SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY FUND.

24 There is established on the books of the State Treasurer, State Auditor,
25 and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State a fund to be known as the Southern
26 Arkansas University Fund. This fund shall be used for the maintenance,
27 operation, and improvement of the Southern Arkansas University, El Dorado
28 branch, SAU - Tech, and the Fire Training Academy and the Environment Control
29 Center of SAU - Tech."
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31 SECTION 9. Arkansas Code 19-4-906(a) (101) is hereby amended to read as
32 follows:

33 "(101) Southern Arkansas University - Tech 8"
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35 SECTION 10. Arkansas Code 24-7-1002(a) is hereby amended to read as

1 follows:

2 "(a) All persons, except those who are eligible for membership in the
3 Teacher Retirement System as provided for under the provisions of §§ 24-7-801
4 - 24-7-808, and except those who are eligible for membership in an alternate
5 system as provided for under the provisions of §§ 24-7-801 - 24-7-808 employed
6 by Arkansas State University, Arkansas State University - Beebe, the
7 University of Central Arkansas, Henderson State University, Arkansas Tech
8 University, Southern Arkansas University, Southern Arkansas University at El
9 Dorado, SAU - Tech, at Camden, or a state-supported community college after
10 March 19, 1983, shall be members of the Public Employees' Retirement System
11 unless, at the time of employment, they are already members of the Teacher
12 Retirement System due to previous employment with an employer covered by the
13 Teacher Retirement System."

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15 SECTION 11. Hereafter the institution formally known as the Southwest
16 Technical Institute Division of Southern Arkansas University or the Southwest
17 Technical Branch shall be known and referred to as SAU - Tech.

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19 SECTION 12. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent
20 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
21 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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23 SECTION 13. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to
24 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
25 other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without
26 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
27 Act are declared to be severable.

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29 SECTION 14. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are
30 hereby repealed.

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