

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**
4 **By: Joint Budget Committee**

A Bill

SENATE BILL 281

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 21-5-414 TO AUTHORIZE
9 CONTRIBUTIONS BY THE STATE OF ARKANSAS TO PARTIALLY DEFRAY
10 THE COST OF LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE FOR EACH EMPLOYEE OF
11 THE STATE PARTICIPATING IN THE PLAN ADOPTED BY THE STATE
12 EMPLOYEES INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

16 "AUTHORIZE CONTRIBUTIONS BY STATE OF ARKANSAS TO INSURANCE
17 PLAN FOR STATE EMPLOYEES."

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

21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 21-5-414 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 "§21-5-414. State contributions generally - Partial state contribution
23 of employees' premiums.

24 (a) The State Employees Insurance Advisory Committee shall seek the
25 advice of the Legislative Council and the Joint Interim Committee on Insurance
26 and Commerce before additional contribution can be made.

27 (b) The State of Arkansas is authorized to make a monthly contribution
28 up to but not to exceed the amount for the period indicated below to partially
29 defray the cost of life and health insurance for each employee of the state
30 participating in the plan adopted by the State Employees Insurance Advisory
31 Committee.

	Fiscal Years	
	1993-94	1994-95
34 Monthly Contribution	\$228	\$275

35 (c) *The Governor may, by executive order, consolidate all health*

1 insurance plans affecting state employees, excluding those affecting employees
2 of institutions of higher education and uniformed employees of the Arkansas
3 State Police covered by the Arkansas State Police Health Plan, into one (1)
4 plan or allow other governmental plans to become a part of the State Employees
5 Insurance Plan which is established by Arkansas Code §21-5-401, et seq. All
6 reserves and assets of any affected plan shall be transferred to the receiving
7 plan."

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9 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
10 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
11 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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13 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
14 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
15 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
16 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
17 act are declared to be severable.

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19 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
20 hereby repealed.

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22 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General
23 Assembly that the effectiveness of this act on July 1, 1993 is essential to
24 the operation of the State Employees Insurance Plan and that in the event of
25 an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this
26 act beyond July 1, 1993 could work irreparable harm upon the proper
27 administration of this essential governmental program. Therefore, an
28 emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being necessary for the
29 immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full
30 force and effect from and after July 1, 1993.

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/s/Senator Mooore et al.

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