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.

1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: H2/21/03	
2	84th General Assembly	A Bill	
3	Regular Session, 2003		HOUSE BILL 1497
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5	By: Representative Jeffrey		
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8		For An Act To Be Entitled	
9	AN ACT ALLOW A SET OFF AGAINST TAX REFUNDS ANY		
10	PAST DUE RENT OWED TO A HOUSING AUTHORITY CREATED		
11	UNDER CHAPTER 169 OF TITLE 14; AND FOR OTHER		
12	PURPOSES.		
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14		Subtitle	
15	TO ALL	OW A SET OFF AGAINST TAX REFUN	DS
16	ANY PA	ST DUE RENT OWED TO A HOUSING	
17	AUTHOR	RITY CREATED UNDER CHAPTER 169	OF
18	TITLE	14.	
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21	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GEN	NERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF	ARKANSAS:
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23	SECTION 1. Arkans	sas Code § 26-36-301 is amended	d to read as follows:
24	26-36-301. Purpos	ses.	
25	(a) The purpose of	of this subchapter is to establ	lish as policy that all
26	claimant agencies and the Revenue Division of the Department of Finance and		
27	Administration shall cooperate in identifying debtors who owe money to the		
28	state, or to a housing authority created under Chapter 169 of Title 14,		
29	through its various claimant agencies and who qualify for refunds from the		
30	division.		
31	(b) It is also th	he intent of this subchapter th	nat procedures be
32	established for setting off against any such refund the sum of any debt owed		
33	to the state or to a hou	using authority created under (Chapter 169 of Title 14.
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35	SECTION 2. Arkans	sas Code § 26-36-303(1), concer	rning the definition
36	agencies which may colle	ect debt by setting off against	t state tay refunds is

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1	amended to read as follows:.		
2	(1) "Claimant agencies" means:		
3	(A) State-supported colleges, universities, and technical		
4	institutes;		
5	(B) The Department of Human Services;		
6	(C) The Arkansas Student Loan Authority;		
7	(D) The Student Loan Guarantee Foundation;		
8	(E) The Auditor of State;		
9	(F) The Department of Higher Education;		
10	(G) The Office of Child Support Enforcement of the Revenue		
11	Division of the Department of Finance and Administration; and		
12	(H) Arkansas circuit, juvenile, and chancery courts; and		
13	(I) Housing authorities created under Chapter 169 of Title		
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16	SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 26-36-303(6), concerning the definition of		
17	setoff for purposes of the law allowing certain agencies to collect debt by		
18	setting off against state tax refunds, is amended to read as follows:		
19	(6) "Setoff" means the withholding of part or all of income tax		
20	refunds due individuals who owe debts to the State of Arkansas or to a		
21	housing authority created under Chapter 169 of Title 14.		
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23	/s/ Jeffrey		
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