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16	For An Act To Be Entitled		
17	17 AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SCHOLARSHIP LOTTERY	7	
18	ACT, ARKANSAS CODE § 6-85-201 ET SEQ. AND § 23-		
19	19 115-101 ET SEQ.; TO AMEND OTHER ARKANSAS CODE		
20	20 PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE		
21	21 ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP, PART 2;		
22	TO PROVIDE FOR THE WITHHOLDING OF STATE INCOME		
23	TAX FROM LOTTERY PRIZE WINNINGS UNDER THE		
24	ARKANSAS SCHOLARSHIP LOTTERY ACT; AND FOR OTHER		
	25 PURPOSES.		
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27	Subtitle Subtitle		
	THE JODIE MAHONY SCHOLARSHIP ACT.		
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	31 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS	:	
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33	33 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-85-204(5) - (17), concerni	ng definiti	lons
	34 used in the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship Program —	Part 2, is	
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36	36 (5) "Continuously enrolled" means:		

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1	(A) For a traditional student, he or she completes at an
2	approved institution of higher education twenty-seven (27) semester hours in
3	the first academic year as a recipient and completes thirty (30) semester
4	hours each academic year thereafter, not including any summer term;
5	(B) For a full-time nontraditional student, he or she
6	completes at an approved institution of higher education at least fifteen
7	(15) semester hours of courses in consecutive semesters, not including a
8	<pre>summer term;</pre>
9	(C) For a full-time current achiever student, he or she:
10	(i) Before receiving a scholarship under this
11	subchapter, completed at least twelve (12) semester hours of courses in
12	consecutive semesters, not including a summer term; and
13	(ii) As a recipient of a scholarship under this
14	subchapter, completes at an approved institution of higher education at least
15	fifteen (15) semester hours of courses in consecutive semesters, not
16	including a summer term; and
17	(D) For a part-time nontraditional student, he or she
18	completes at an approved institution of higher education at least six (6)
19	semester hours of courses in consecutive semesters, not including a summer
20	term;
21	(6) "Current achiever student" means a student:
22	(A) Who meets the requirements of § 6-85-209; and
23	(B) Is not a traditional student or a nontraditional
24	student.
25	(5) (7) "End-of-course assessment" means an examination taken at
26	the completion of a course of study to determine whether a student
27	demonstrates attainment of the knowledge and skills necessary for mastery of
28	that subject;
29	(6) (8) "General Educational Development test" means a test
30	measuring the knowledge and skills usually learned in high school that is
31	administered by a state-approved institution or organization;
32	(7)(9) "High school grade point average" means the numbered
33	grade average on a student's high school transcript calculated:
34	(A) For a traditional student, using the first seven (7)
35	of the last eight (8) semesters the student completed prior to graduating
36	high school; or

1 (B) For a nontraditional student, using the last eight (8) 2 semesters the student completed before graduating high school; (C) Recognized by the United States Department of 3 4 Education for financial aid purposes; 5 (8)(10) "Lawful permanent resident" means a non-United States 6 citizen who resides in the United States under a legally recognized and 7 lawfully recorded permanent residence and who may receive state public 8 benefits under 8 U.S.C. § 1622; (9)(11) "Net proceeds from the state lottery" means lottery 9 10 proceeds for one (1) fiscal year less the operating expenses, as defined in § 11 23-115-103 for the fiscal year; (10)(12) "Nonlottery state educational resources" means the 12 funding available for state-supported scholarships and grants for students 13 enrolled in two-year and four-year institutions of higher postsecondary 14 15 education in this state that: 16 (A) The General Assembly makes available from general 17 revenue to the Higher Education Grants Fund Account without consideration of the availability of proceeds from the state lottery; and 18 19 (B) The Department of Finance and Administration estimates is available for distribution to the Higher Education Grants Fund Account 20 during a fiscal year from the Educational Excellence Trust Fund; 21 22 (11)(13) "Nontraditional student" means a student who is not a 23 traditional student or a current achiever student; 24 (12)(14) "Personally identifiable student data" means any 25 information that, alone or in combination with other available information, 26 is linked or linkable to a specific student that would allow a reasonable 27 person in the student's school community to identify the student with 28 reasonable certainty; 29 (13)(15) "Postsecondary grade point average" means the 30 cumulative numbered grade average for college credit courses as calculated 31 using a 4.0 scale; 32 (14)(16) "Qualified certificate program" means a program that is: 33 (A) Offered That is offered by an approved institution of 34 higher education; and 35 (B) Shorter in duration than an associate degree for For which credit hours are awarded that are creditable toward an associate degree 36

1	or baccalaureate degree; and
2	(15)(17) "Recipient" means an applicant awarded a scholarship
3	funded through the program;
4	$\frac{(16)(18)}{(18)}$ "State-supported student financial assistance" means a
5	state-supported scholarship, grant, tuition waiver, or tuition reimbursement
6	funded with state funds or net proceeds from the state lottery awarded by:
7	(A) The Department of Higher Education; or
8	(B) A scholarship or grant awarded by an institution of
9	higher education in this state in whole or in part by state funds, including
10	without limitation:
11	(i) Scholarships awarded on the basis of entrance
12	exam scores or high school academic achievement;
13	(ii) Tuition waivers based on age, military service,
14	occupation, or other factors;
15	(iii) Out-of-state tuition waivers for undergraduate
16	students from contiguous states in close proximity to a college or
17	university;
18	(iv) Scholarships for transfers from two-year
19	institutions;
20	(v) Performance scholarships for band, musical
21	performing groups, arts, theater, forensics, and similar activities that are
22	not awarded on the basis of entrance exam scores or high school academic
23	achievement; and
24	(vi) Any other publicly funded program under which
25	students are not charged or are reimbursed by the institution of higher
26	education for tuition, fees, books, or other costs of attendance; and
27	(19)(A) "Supplant" means that the net proceeds from the state
28	lottery are used in place of, not in addition to, state nonlottery
29	educational resources provided for state-supported student financial
30	assistance for a specified fiscal year.
31	(B) Supplanting does not occur if the General Assembly provided
32	the state nonlottery educational resources as if the lotteries under § 23-
33	115-101 et seq. do not exist; and
34	(17)(20)(A) "Traditional student" means a student who, beginning
35	with the 2010-2011 academic year, will enter postsecondary education as a
36	full-time first-time freshman within twelve (12) months after graduating from

1	high school and remains continuously enrolled as a full-time student.
2	(B) "Traditional student" does not include a current
3	achiever student.
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5	SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-85-205(a)(2), concerning the duties of
6	the Department of Higher Education, is amended to read as follows:
7	(2) At least ten (10) business days before the date the
8	Department of Higher Education files with the Bureau of Legislative Research
9	under § 25-15-204 The Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative Oversight
10	Committee shall perform the function of the Legislative Council required by
11	<u>law for the review of</u> a proposed rule or proposed change to a rule
12	promulgated by the Department of Higher Education under this subchapter, the
13	Department of Higher Education shall file a copy of the proposed rule or
14	proposed change to a rule with the Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative
15	Oversight Committee.
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17	SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 6-85-205(d), concerning the duties of the
18	Department of Higher Education, is amended to read as follows:
19	(d)(1) The Department of Education and the Department of Higher
20	Education are directed to develop appropriate informational materials on the
21	Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship Program and to ensure distribution of
22	the materials to Arkansas students in grade seven through grade twelve (7-12)
23	each year as a part of the packet of materials on precollegiate preparation
24	distributed by the Department of Education as required by § 6-61-217 Arkansas
25	<u>Higher Education Coordinating Board under</u> § 6-61-217 <u>and by the Department of</u>
26	Education under the Higher Education Awareness Act of 1993, § 6-5-401 et seq.
27	(2) The distribution of informational materials under this
28	$\underline{\text{section}}$ shall be accomplished through the collaboration of school counselors
29	and other appropriate public school or Department of Higher Education
30	personnel.
31	(3) The Department of Higher Education shall provide a copy of
32	the informational materials developed under this section to the Arkansas
33	Lottery Commission Legislative Oversight Committee for its review.
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35	SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 6-85-205(g), concerning the duties of the
36	Department of Higher Education, is amended to read as follows:

1	(g)(1)(A) The By July 15 of each year, the Director of the Department
2	of Higher Education shall <u>provide a</u> report to the General Assembly annually
3	regarding Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative Oversight Committee on:
4	(i) the The implementation of this subchapter;
5	(ii) The number of recipients that either:
6	(a) Dropped out during the academic year; or
7	(b) Lost the scholarship during the academic
8	year; and
9	(iii) Any additional information requested by the
10	<pre>committee.</pre>
11	(B) The committee shall include the information reported
12	under this subsection (g) in its annual report to the General Assembly under
13	§ 6-85-220.
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15	SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 6-85-206(1), concerning basic eligibility
16	requirements for the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship Program - Part
L7	2, is amended to read as follows:
18	(1)(A) The applicant has been an Arkansas resident for at least
19	the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date the applicant will
20	enroll in an approved institution of higher education, and.
21	(B) if If the applicant is less than eighteen (18) twenty-
22	one (21) years of age, either the applicant or a parent or guardian of the
23	applicant or a combination of the applicant and a parent or guardian of the
24	applicant has shall have maintained Arkansas residency for the same period of
25	time at least the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date the
26	applicant will enroll in an approved institution of higher education.
27	$\frac{(B)(C)(i)}{(B)(C)(C)}$ To be considered an Arkansas resident, an
28	applicant shall demonstrate residency by evidence deemed sufficient to the
29	Department of Higher Education
30	(ii) Evidence of residency may include including
31	without limitation information provided by the applicant on the Free
32	Application for Federal Student Aid or a subsequent application required by
33	the United States Department of Education for federal financial aid;
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35	SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 6-85-207(2), concerning eligibility
36	requirements of traditional students for the Arkansas Academic Challenge

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                 (2) Graduated Effective January 1, 2011, graduated from an
     Arkansas public high school that in the year of the applicant's graduation is
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     annually identified in the report by the Department of Education under § 6-
     15-421 as a school in which twenty percent (20%) or more of the students
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     received a letter grade of "B" or higher but did not score proficiency or
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     higher on the state-mandated end-of-course assessment for the related course
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     on the first attempt, achieved a high school grade point average of at least
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     2.5, and:
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                       (A) Completed the Smart Core curriculum if graduating from
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     an Arkansas high school in the 2013-2014 school year or later; and
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                       (B) Either:
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                             (i) Has a minimum composite score of nineteen (19)
     on the ACT or the equivalent score on an ACT equivalent; or
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                             (ii) Scores proficient or higher on all state-
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     mandated end-of-course assessments, including without limitation end-of-
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     course assessments on:
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                                   (a) Algebra I;
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                                   (b) Geometry;
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                                   (d) Beginning with the 2013-2014 school year,
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     literacy; or
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           SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 6-85-208 is amended to read as follows:
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           6-85-208. Additional eligibility requirements for a nontraditional
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     student.
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           (a) An applicant is eligible as a nontraditional student if, in
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     addition to the requirements of § 6-85-206, the applicant:
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                 (1) Graduated from an Arkansas public high school and achieved a
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     2.5 high school grade point average; or
                 (2) Graduated from an Arkansas public high school, a private
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     high school, an out-of-state high school, a home school high school, or
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     obtained a General Educational Development certificate and either:
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                       (A) Had a minimum composite score of nineteen (19) on the
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     ACT or the equivalent score on an ACT equivalent; or
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                       (3)(B)(i) Has completed at least twelve (12) semester
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Scholarship Program - Part 2, is amended to read as follows:

1 hours of courses granting three (3) or more hours of credit per course at an 2 approved institution of higher education and earned a postsecondary grade point average of at least 2.5. 3 4 (ii) A course granting less than three (3) hours of 5 credit may be counted toward the twelve (12) semester hours under this 6 subdivision (a)(3) if it is related to a credit course required for a degree. 7 (b) To be eligible, a nontraditional student applicant who graduated 8 from a private high school, an out-of-state high school, or a home school 9 high school shall have achieved a minimum composite score of nineteen (19) on 10 the ACT or the equivalent score on an ACT equivalent. 11 SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 6-85-209, is amended to read as follows: 12 13 6-85-209. Additional eligibility requirements for a student near 14 completion current achiever student. 15 (a) In addition to the requirements of § 6-85-206, an applicant is 16 eligible as a student near completion if at the time of applying for the 17 scholarship current achiever student if the applicant: 18 (1) Is enrolled in a two-year or four-year approved institution of higher education; Entered postsecondary education before the 2010-2011 19 20 academic year: 21 (A) As a full-time first-time freshman student; and 22 (B) Within twelve (12) months after graduating high 23 school; and 24 (2) Is within twenty-five percent (25%) of the requirements for 25 completion of an associate degree or baccalaureate degree At the time of 26 applying for the scholarship: 27 (A) Has been continuously enrolled at an institution of 28 higher education as a full-time student; 29 (B)(i) Has completed at least twelve (12) semester hours of 30 courses granting three (3) or more hours of credit per course at an approved 31 institution of higher education. 32 (ii) A course granting less than three (3) hours of credit may be counted toward the twelve (12) semester hours under 33 34 this subdivision (a)(2) if it is related to a credit course required for a 35 degree; and 36 (3)(C) Has achieved a postsecondary grade point average of

1	at least 2.5.
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3	SECTION 9. Arkansas Code § 6-85-210(b)(2)(C), concerning continuing
4	eligibility for the Arkansas Academic Scholarship Program - Part 2, is
5	repealed:
6	(C)(i) A traditional student recipient is continuously enrolled
7	in an approved institution of higher education if he or she completes twenty-
8	seven (27) semester hours in the first year as a recipient and completes
9	thirty (30) semester hours each academic year thereafter.
10	(ii) A nontraditional student recipient is
11	continuously enrolled if he or she maintains at an approved institution of
12	higher education in consecutive semesters, not including any summer term:
13	(a) Full-time enrollment if the student
14	receives a scholarship under this subchapter for a full-time student; or
15	(b) Part-time enrollment if the student is
16	receiving a scholarship under this subchapter for a part-time student;
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18	SECTION 10. Arkansas Code § 6-85-210(c)(1), concerning continuing
19	eligibility for the Arkansas Academic Scholarship Program — Part 2, is
20	amended to read as follows:
21	(c)(l) If a recipient becomes ineligible for the scholarship because
22	the recipient's postsecondary grade point average or number of completed
23	credit hours no longer meets the minimum requirement for the scholarship, the
24	recipient may regain eligibility under this subsection (c) one (l) time only
25	in an academic year.
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27	SECTION 11. Arkansas Code § 6-85-212 (c), concerning scholarship award
28	amounts, is amended to read as follows:
29	(c) It is the General Assembly's intent that before increasing award
30	amounts for scholarships under this subchapter, the number of scholarships
31	awarded to nontraditional students under § 6-85-208 and to students near
32	completion under § 6-85-209 be increased.
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34	SECTION 12. Arkansas Code § 6-85-212 (e)(1) and (2), concerning
35	scholarship award amounts, is amended to read as follows:
36	(e)(1)(A) For the 2010-2011 academic year, the General Assembly shall

1 determine the scholarship award amount by February 28, 2010, based on the 2 amount of net proceeds from the state lottery reasonably projected to be 3 available for scholarships in the 2010-2011 academic year The scholarship 4 award amount under this subchapter for an academic year for a full-time 5 recipient enrolled in a four-year approved institution of higher education is 6 five thousand dollars (\$5,000). 7 (B)(i) The Department of Higher Education shall award an 8 aggregate amount of scholarship awards to current achiever students beginning 9 with the 2010-2011 academic year of up to forty-one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$41,500,000). 10 11 (ii) The department shall not accept new 12 applications for scholarships under this subdivision (e)(1)(B) after June 1, 13 2012. (C) After deducting the amount committed for current 14 15 achiever student scholarships from the amount available under subdivision 16 (e)(1)(B) of this section, the department shall use the balance to fund 17 scholarships to nontraditional students under this subchapter. 18 (2)(A) The Department of Higher Education department shall award 19 an aggregate amount of scholarship awards to nontraditional students beginning with the 2010-2011 academic year up to eight million 20 21 dollars (\$,000,000), of twelve million dollars (\$12,000,000), excluding any funding for nontraditional student scholarships under subdivision (e)(1)(C) 22 23 of this section. (B)(i) The department shall return to the Arkansas Lottery 24 Commission the excess funding, if any, for scholarship awards the department 25 26 received under § 23-115-801. 27 (ii) The commission shall deposit any funds 28 received from the department under this subdivision (e)(2)(B) into a trust 29 account established under § 23-115-801(b). 30 (C) Priority for scholarships awarded to nontraditional 31 students and current achiever students is based on the applicant's level of 32 progress toward completion of a certificate, an associate degree, nursing

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36 SECTION 13. Arkansas Code § 6-85-212(f)-(j)(1), concerning scholarship

diploma, or a baccalaureate degree, or on other criteria established by the

1 award amounts, is amended to read as follows:

2 (f)(1) By November 1 of each year, the Arkansas Lottery Commission 3 Legislative Oversight Committee shall provide to the General Assembly its 4 recommendations for any changes to the:

 $\frac{(A)}{(1)}$ Award amounts;

(B)(2) Number or type of scholarships; and

7 (C)(3) Eligibility requirements.

(2) The committee may base its recommendations for scholarship award amounts on the following guidelines and any additional information the committee finds relevant to making the recommendations:

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12	Annual 2-yr	Annual 4-yr	If net lottery	
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15	\$1,250	\$2,500	\$ 49,308,626	\$ 60,405,551
16	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$ 60,405,551	\$ 71,502,476
17	\$1,750	\$3,500	\$ 71,502,476	\$ 82,599,401
18	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$ 82,599,401	\$ 93,696,326
19	\$2,250	\$4,500	\$93,696,326	\$104 ,79 3 , 251
20	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$104,793,251	\$115,890,177
21	\$2,750	\$5,500	\$115,890,177	\$126,987,102
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(g) After the 2010-2011 academic year, the determination of the amount of net proceeds from the state lottery available for each semester is based on the commission's certification of net proceeds.

(h)(g) The department shall ensure that It is the intent of the General Assembly that in determining award amounts under this subchapter the General Assembly will consider whether sufficient funds remain will be available to pay for scholarship awards through the anticipated completion of the degree or certificate a recipient is seeking and report the balance of those funds to the General Assembly before the amount of awards under this subchapter are increased by the General Assembly.

 $\frac{\text{(i)}(h)}{\text{(h)}}$ All awards under this subchapter are subject to the prohibition under § 6-80-105 against using public funds in a student financial package in excess of the recognized cost of attendance at the institution where the

1 student is enrolled. 2 (i)(1)(i)(1) If the department has less than a sufficient amount from net proceeds from the state lottery to provide for the scholarship 3 4 commitments under this subchapter, the department first shall use the 5 department's funds from any Scholarships and Grants Contingency Appropriation 6 made to the department to fund the shortfall before requesting funds from the 7 Scholarship Shortfall Reserve Trust Account under § 23-115-802. 8 SECTION 14. Arkansas Code § 6-85-215(a), concerning the release of 9 student information, is amended to read as follows: 10 11 (a)(1)(A) A student receiving any state-supported student financial 12 assistance for which an institution of higher education is required to provide information under this section shall complete and sign a consent form 13 authorizing the release of or refusing to authorize: 14 15 (i) the The institution of higher education to 16 release the student's individual personal information to the Bureau of 17 Legislative Research and authorizing:; (i) (ii) The institution of higher education to 18 19 provide the bureau with academic progress information for the scholarship 20 recipient; and 21 (iii) (iii) The department Department of Higher 22 Education to release the student's individual personal information to the 23 bureau. 24 (B) If a student is less than eighteen (18) years of age, 25 the student's parent or guardian shall complete and sign the consent form. 26 (2)(A) The student may opt out of the release of information. A 27 decision to opt out applies only to refuse to authorize the release of 28 information under this section and does not apply to nonindividually 29 identifiable information released under any other section of this subchapter 30 or under any other law. 31 (B) In order to provide better statistical data, each 32 institution shall report the number of students who opt out refuse to 33 authorize the release of information. (3)(A) Before any state funds for state-supported student 34 35 financial assistance are released on behalf of a student, the form signed by

the student or the student's parent or guardian indicating either the

1	student's authorization to release or the refusal to authorize the release of
2	information under this section shall be obtained by:
3	(i) The department if the department awards the
4	state-supported student financial assistance; or
5	(ii) The institution of higher education if the
6	state-supported student financial assistance is awarded solely by the
7	institution.
8	(B) The consent form shall state that:
9	$\frac{(A)}{(i)}$ The purpose for the bureau's collecting data
10	is to guide the General Assembly's evaluation of the need for adjustments to
11	scholarship program eligibility and funding levels; and
12	(B) Personally identifiable student data will not be
13	released by the bureau or the department; and
14	(C)(ii) The student may opt out of the release of
15	$\frac{1}{2}$ information, and that opting out A refusal to authorize the release of
16	information under this section will not affect the student's eligibility for
17	a scholarship.
18	(C) A high school student enrolled in a course for
19	concurrent credit is exempt under this section.
20	(4) The form shall list the categories of information authorized
21	for release under this section.
22	(5) The Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research may:
23	(A) Seek an opinion from the Family Policy Compliance
24	Office of the United States Department of Education concerning the student
25	consent requirement and opt out to authorize or refuse to authorize the
26	release of information under this section; or
27	(B) Request the Department of Higher Education to seek the
28	opinion on behalf of the bureau.
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30	SECTION 15. Arkansas Code § 6-85-217(b)(3)(A), concerning the
31	confidentiality of student data to be provided to the Bureau of Legislative
32	Research, is amended to read as follows:
33	(3)(A) The Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research may
34	seek an opinion from Family Policy Compliance Office of the United States
35	Department of Education concerning the department's Department of Higher
36	Education's system, any proposed modification of the system, or any request

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     for information made by the bureau under this section.
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           SECTION 16. Arkansas Code § 6-85-217(f), concerning the use of student
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     data, is amended to read as follows:
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           (f) The bureau's staff shall inform the Department of Higher Education
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     of any data used in the preparation of reports and provide the department
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     Department of Higher Education at least two (2) working days to review any
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     student-related data used in preparation of reports before publicly releasing
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     that student-related data without personally identifiable student data.
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           SECTION 17. Arkansas Code § 6-85-218 is repealed.
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           6-85-218. Advisory council.
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           (a) An advisory council is created to provide recommendations to the
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     Department of Higher Education and the Arkansas Lottery Commission
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     Legislative Oversight Committee for the implementation of this subchapter.
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           (b) The advisory council shall be composed of sixteen (16) members as
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     follows:
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                 (1) The Director of the Department of Higher Education, or his
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     or her designee;
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                 (2) The Commissioner of Education, or his or her designee;
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                 (3) The Executive Director of the Arkansas Association of
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     Educational Administrators, or his or her designee;
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                (4) The Executive Director of the Arkansas Education
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     Association, or his or her designee;
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                 (5) The Executive Director of the Arkansas School Boards
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     Association, or his or her designee;
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                 (6) The Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research, or his
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     or her designee, who shall serve as an ex officio nonvoting member; and
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                 (7)(A) Ten (10) members who shall serve three-year terms,
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     selected as follows:
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                             (i) One (1) member of the House of Representatives
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     selected by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
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                             (ii) One (1) member of the Senate selected by the
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     President Pro Tempore of the Senate;
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                             (iii) Two (2) members selected by the Director of
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     the Department of Higher Education who are employed at the department;
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1	(iv) Two (2) members selected by the Director of the	
2	Department of Higher Education who are presidents or chancellors of two-year	
3	approved institutions of higher education, or the designee of the president	
4	selected;	
5	(v) Two (2) members selected by the Director of the	
6	Department of Higher Education who are presidents or chancellors of four-year	
7	approved institutions of higher education or the designee of the president or	
8	chancellor selected;	
9	(vi) One (1) member selected by the Director of the	
10	Department of Higher Education who is a financial aid administrator at an	
11	approved institution of higher education, or his or her designee; and	
12	(vii) One (1) member selected by the Director of the	
13	Department of Higher Education who is a student services administrator at an	
14	approved institution of higher education, or his or her designee.	
15	(B) Members appointed under this subdivision (b)(7):	
16	(i) Shall have initial terms that are staggered	
17	evenly between two (2) and three (3) years as determined by lot at the	
18	advisory council's first meeting; and	
19	(ii) May be reappointed to successive terms.	
20	(C) A vacancy under this subdivision (b)(7) shall be	
21	filled by appointment by the appointing authority effective until the	
22	expiration of the regular term.	
23	(c) The advisory council shall be staffed by the department.	
24	(d) The legislator members of the advisory council shall serve as	
25	cochairs of the advisory council and shall call meetings as needed to fulfill	
26	the purpose of the advisory council.	
27	(e)(1) Legislative members are entitled to reimbursement for expenses	
28	and per diem at the same rate and from the same source as provided by law for	
29	members of the General Assembly attending meetings of interim committees.	
30	(2) Nonlegislative members of the advisory council shall serve	
31	without compensation but may be reimbursed by the department for reasonable	
32	travel expenses incurred to attend meetings if funding is available.	
33	(f) By August 1, 2009, and as requested thereafter, the advisory	
34	council shall report its recommendations to the Arkansas Lottery Commission	
35	Legislative Oversight Committee.	

1	SECTION 18. Arkansas Code § 6-80-105 is amended to read as follows:
2	6-80-105. Student financial aid — Antistacking Scholarship stacking.
3	(a) As used in this section:
4	(1) "Cost of attendance" means the recognized cost of attendance
5	of an institution of higher education calculated under rules established by
6	the Department of Higher Education;
7	(2) "Federal aid" means scholarships or grants awarded to a
8	student as a result of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid,
9	excluding the Pell grant;
10	(3) "Other aid" means scholarships, grants, tuition waivers, or
11	housing waivers awarded to a student from postsecondary institutions or
12	private sources; and
13	(4) "State aid" means scholarships or grants awarded to a
14	$\underline{\text{student from public funds, including without limitation the Arkansas Academic}}$
15	Challenge Scholarship under § 6-85-201 et seq., the Department of Higher
16	Education scholarship and grant programs, state general revenues, tuition,
17	and local tax revenue; and
18	(5) "Student aid package" means federal aid, state aid, and
19	other aid a student receives for postsecondary education expenses.
20	$\frac{(a)}{(b)}(1)$ No A postsecondary institution shall use public funds not
21	award state aid in a student aid package which exceeds in excess of the
22	$\frac{recognized}{recognized}$ cost of attendance at the institution where the student enrolls.
23	(2) Public funds are defined to include Department of Higher
24	Education scholarships and grants, state general revenues, tuition, or local
25	tax revenue For the purpose of stacking scholarships in a student's student
26	aid package, the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship under § 6-85-201 et
27	seq. shall be reduced or returned first.
28	$\frac{\text{(b)}(c)}{\text{(c)}}$ All A postsecondary institutions institution shall report to
29	the <i>department</i> the total amount of <u>financial</u> <u>federal</u> aid, <u>state aid</u> , <u>and</u>
30	$\underline{\text{other aid}}$ $\underline{\text{from all sources for any}}$ \underline{a} student $\underline{\text{who}}$ receives $\underline{\text{if the student}}$
31	receives an award from a department scholarship or grant program, including
32	the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship under § 6-85-201, et. seq.
33	$\frac{(c)(1)(d)(1)}{(d)(d)}$ When a student receives a total student aid package that
34	includes public funds state aid and the student aid package exceeds the cost
35	of attendance, the $\underline{\text{postsecondary}}$ institution shall repay $\underline{\text{public funds}}$ $\underline{\text{state}}$
36	aid in the amount exceeding the total cost of attendance starting with state

1 aid received under the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship under § 6-85-2 201 et seq. 3 (2) Such The department shall credit the excess state aid funds 4 repaid shall be credited to the Higher Education Grants Fund Account 5 appropriate department fund or trust account. 6 7 SECTION 19. Section 7 of Acts 605 and 606 of 2009, as amended by Act 8 1405 of 2009, is repealed: 9 (a) The Director of the Department of Higher Education shall determine 10 the amount of excess net proceeds from the state lottery by calculating the 11 difference between: 12 (1) The amount committed to scholarships awarded under the 13 Academic Challenge Scholarship Program - Part 1 and the scholarships for 14 traditional students and nontraditional students under the Academic Challenge 15 Scholarship Program - Part 2; and 16 (2) The amount of net proceeds from the state lottery reasonably 17 projected for the 2010-2011 academic year as determined by the director after consultation with the Arkansas Lottery Commission, the Legislative 18 19 Oversight Committee, the House Committee on Education, and the Senate 20 Committee on Education. 21 (b) The amount of excess net proceeds from the state lottery shall 22 only be available for one (1) or more of the following: 23 (1) Awarding scholarships to students near completion; 24 (2) Increasing state-supported student financial assistance under the Higher Education Opportunities Grant Program, § 6-82-1701 et seq. 25 26 and the Arkansas Workforce Improvement Grant Program, § 6-82-1601 et seq., or 27 other state supported student financial assistance programs for 2.8 nontraditional students; or 29 (3) Establishing a reserve fund. 30 (c) By July 15, 2010, the Director of the Department of Higher 31 Education shall prepare a report on the projected distribution of excess net 32 proceeds from the state lottery based on: 33 (1) The award amounts set by the General Assembly in February 2010 under this act; 34 35 (2) The amount of excess net proceeds from the state lottery reasonably projected to be available for funding scholarships under this act; 36

1	(3) The number of applications accepted for the 2010-2011
2	academic year under this act;
3	(4) The number of applicants on the waiting lists for
4	scholarships to be awarded under this act;
5	(5) Of the applicants on the waiting list, whether the
6	applicants are traditional students, nontraditional students, or students
7	near completion;
8	(d) The director shall provide the report to the Arkansas Lottery
9	Commission Legislative Oversight Committee, the House Committee on Education,
10	and the Senate Committee on Education for review.
11	(e)(1) The department shall maintain a list of nontraditional students
12	and students near completion and shall award scholarships under this
13	subchapter first in order of those nearest completion.
14	(2) The amount of the award per student per year shall be
15	determined by dividing the number of hours until completion by thirty (30)
16	and multiplying by the amount the legislature sets for the award for
17	baccalaureate students.
18	(3) The amount of the award for associate degree students shall
19	be determined by dividing the number of hours until completion by fifteen
20	(15) and multiplying by the amount the legislature sets for two-year
21	students.
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23	SECTION 20. Arkansas Code § 23-115-103(7), concerning the definition
24	of "immediate family" as used in the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Act, is
25	amended to read as follows:
26	(7) "Immediate family" means the father, mother, sister,
27	brother, husband, wife, child, grandmother, grandfather, grandchild, father-
28	in-law, mother-in-law, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, <u>daughter-in-law, son-</u>
29	<u>in-law</u> , stepchild, grandmother-in-law, grandfather-in-law, stepgrandchild, on
30	any individual acting as parent or guardian;
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32	SECTION 21. Arkansas Code § 23-115-103(12)(B), concerning the
33	definition of "lottery" as used in the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Act, is
34	amended to read as follows:
35	(B) "Lottery" includes without limitation:
36	(i) An instant ticket;

1	(ii) A draw game; and
2	(iii) Participation in a multistate or
3	multisovereign game; and
4	(iv) A raffle.
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6	SECTION 22. Arkansas Code § 23-115-103(13), concerning the definition
7	of "lottery proceeds", is amended to read as follows:
8	(13) "Lottery proceeds" means all revenue derived from the sale
9	of tickets or shares and all other moneys derived from $\underline{\text{or in connection with}}$
10	the operation of a lottery, including without limitation fees, offsets,
11	reimbursements, insurance proceeds, damages, and liquidated damages collected
12	or imposed by the Arkansas Lottery Commission under this chapter;
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14	SECTION 23. Arkansas Code § 23-115-103(19)(J) - (K), concerning the
15	definition of operating expenses of the Arkansas Lottery Commission, is
16	amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:
17	(J) Amounts annually transferred to a fidelity fund under § 23-
18	115-603; and
19	(K) Amounts paid to governmental entities for goods or services
20	provided to the Arkansas Lottery Commission, including without limitation
21	services provided by the Division of Legislative Audit, the Department of
22	Human Services, and the Department of Finance and Administration; and
23	(L) Withholding and payment of income taxes from lottery prizes.
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25	SECTION 24. Arkansas Code § 23-115-205(25)(C) and (26), concerning the
26	powers of the Arkansas Lottery Commission, is amended to add an additional
27	subdivision to read as follows:
28	(C) An independent testing laboratory shall not be owned
29	or controlled by a vendor or a retailer; and
30	(26) To withhold state and federal income taxes as required by
31	law; and
32	(27) To adopt and amend rules necessary to carry out and
33	implement its powers and duties, organize and operate the commission,
34	regulate the conduct of lotteries in general, and any other matters necessary
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33	or desirable for the efficient and effective operation of lotteries for the

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           SECTION 25. Arkansas Code § 23-115-211 is amended to read as follows:
           23-115-211. Certain sections inapplicable.
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           The In addition to any provision of law expressly exempting the
     Arkansas Lottery Commission, the following sections shall not apply to the
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     Arkansas Lottery Commission commission:
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                 (1) Section 19-1-211;
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                 (2) Section 19-1-301 et seq.;
                 (3) Section 19-1-609;
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                 (4) Section 19-4-1802;
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                 (5) Section 19-5-206;
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                 (6) Section 19-11-301 et seq;
                 (7) Section 22-9-103;
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                 (8) Section 22-9-104;
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                 (9) Section 25-1-104; and
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                 (10) Section 25-26-201 et seg.; and
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                 \frac{(11)}{(10)} Section 25-27-104.
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           SECTION 26. Arkansas Code § 23-115-302(b)(8) and (9), concerning the
     duties of the Director of the Arkansas Lottery Commission, is amended to read
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     as follows:
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                 (8) Report monthly to the commission and the Arkansas Lottery
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     Commission Legislative Oversight Committee a complete statement of lottery
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     revenues and expenses for the preceding month and an accompanying statement
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     of net assets; and
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                 (9) By August 15, 2011, and annually thereafter, report to the
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     committee the following:
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                       (A) For the immediately preceding fiscal year:
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                             (i) The total amount of net proceeds from the state
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     lottery; and
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                             (ii) The amounts deposited into and disbursed from
     the Scholarship Shortfall Reserve Trust Account under § 23-115-802; and
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                       (B) The commission's projection for net proceeds from the
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     state lottery for the current fiscal year; and
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                 (10) Perform other duties generally associated with a director
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     of a commission of an entrepreneurial nature.
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2	SECTION 27. Arkansas Code § 23-115-306(b), concerning special salary
3	allowances for employees of the Arkansas Lottery Commission, is amended to
4	read as follows:
5	(b) The total compensation for For a position subject to an a special
6	allowance under subsection (a) of this section, including the sum of the
7	salary authorized by the General Assembly and $\frac{1}{2}$ special salary allowance,
8	shall not exceed an amount equal to two and one-half (2½) times the salary
9	for the position authorized by the General Assembly.
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11	SECTION 28. Arkansas Code § 23-115-403(g), concerning unclaimed
12	lottery prizes, is amended to read as follows:
13	(g) (l) Unclaimed <u>lottery</u> prize money is not shall be added to net
14	lottery proceeds.
15	(2)(A) An annual amount of at least two hundred thousand dollars
16	(\$200,000) shall be directed to the Department of Health for the treatment of
17	compulsive gambling disorder and educational programs related to compulsive
18	gambling disorder.
19	(B) As part of its regulation of public health, the State
20	Board of Health may promulgate rules to implement subdivision (g)(2)(A) of
21	this section, including without limitation the creation of:
22	(i) Programs for the treatment of compulsive
23	gambling disorder; and
24	(ii) Educational programs related to compulsive
25	gambling disorder.
26	(3) Unclaimed lottery prize money remaining after the payment
27	under subdivision (g)(2) of this section shall be:
28	(A) Added to the pool from which future lottery prizes are
29	to be awarded; or
30	(B) Used for special lottery prize promotions.
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32	SECTION 29. Arkansas Code Title 23, Chapter 115, Subchapter 4, is
33	amended to add an additional section to read as follows:
34	23-115-410. Compulsive gambling disorder treatment and educational
35	programs.
36	(a) The Arkansas Lottery Commission shall provide an annual amount of

1	at least two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for:
2	(1) Compulsive gambling disorder treatment programs; and
3	(2) Compulsive gambling disorder educational programs.
4	(b)(1) The commission shall work together with the Department of Human
5	Services to implement the compulsive gambling disorder treatment programs and
6	the compulsive gambling disorder educational programs under this section.
7	(2) The commission may contract with the department for
8	providing all services related to and administration of the compulsive
9	gambling disorder treatment programs and the compulsive gambling disorder
10	educational programs.
11	(3) The department may promulgate rules to administer the
12	compulsive gambling disorder treatment programs and the compulsive gambling
13	disorder educational programs.
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15	SECTION 30. Arkansas Code $$23-115-601(f)(5)(B)(v)$, concerning the
16	qualifications of lottery retailers, is amended to read as follows:
17	(v) Is a <u>member of the commission</u> , or a member of
18	the immediate family of a member of the commission;
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20	SECTION 31. Arkansas Code § 23-115-701(e), concerning major
21	procurement contracts of the Arkansas Lottery Commission, is amended to read
22	as follows:
23	(e)(1) Each proposed major procurement contract and each
24	amendment or modification to a proposed or executed major procurement
25	contract shall be filed with the Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative
26	Oversight Committee for review at least thirty (30) days before the execution
27	date of the major procurement contract $\underline{\text{or the amendment or modification to a}}$
28	proposed or executed major procurement contract.
29	(2) The Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative Oversight
30	Committee shall provide the commission with its review as to the propriety of
31	the major procurement contract and each amendment or modification to a
32	proposed or executed major procurement contract within thirty (30) days after
33	receipt of the proposed major procurement contract or the amendment or
34	modification to a proposed or executed major procurement contract.
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SECTION 32. Arkansas Code § 23-115-801(c)(1), concerning the use of

1 net proceeds from the state lottery, is amended to read as follows: 2 (c)(1) The Director of the Department of Higher Education shall certify to the commission the amount of net proceeds from the lottery needed 3 4 to: 5 (A) Fund fund the scholarships awarded to recipients under 6 § 6-85-201 et seq. for each semester of an academic year; and 7 (B) Ensure that sufficient funds remain available to pay 8 for scholarship awards for the recipients through the anticipated completion 9 of the degree or certificate a recipient is seeking. 10 11 SECTION 33. Arkansas Code § 23-115-802(b)(3), concerning the Shortfall 12 Reserve Trust Account of the Arkansas Lottery Commission, is amended to read 13 as follows: (3) Any amount in the trust <u>fund</u> <u>account</u> exceeding twenty million 14 15 dollars (\$20,000,000) shall be considered net proceeds and shall be deposited 16 annually into one (1) or more trust accounts at one (1) or more financial 17 institutions by July 1 of each year. 18 SECTION 34. Arkansas Code § 23-115-802(c), concerning the Shortfall 19 Reserve Trust Account of the Arkansas Lottery Commission, is amended to read 20 21 as follows: 22 (c)(1) If net proceeds in any year are not sufficient to meet the 23 amount allocated for higher education scholarships, the account may be drawn 24 upon to meet the deficiency. 25 (2) If it becomes necessary to draw from the account in any 26 fiscal year, the Department of Higher Education shall review the scholarship 27 and grant program and shall reduce the program to accommodate available 28 lottery proceeds, exclusive of the account. 29 30 SECTION 35. Arkansas Code § 23-115-1101(f)(3), concerning the Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative Oversight Committee, is amended to read as 31 32 follows: 33 (3) Six (6) members A majority of the Arkansas Lottery 34 Commission Legislative Oversight Committee constitute constitutes a quorum. 35

SECTION 36. Arkansas Code § 23-115-1102(c), concerning the duties of

1	the Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative oversight Committee, is amended
2	to read as follows:
3	(c)(1) The Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative Oversight Committee
4	shall perform all duties or functions of the Legislative Council required by
5	law concerning the contracts, rules, reports, or other information filed with
6	the Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative Oversight Committee under
7	subsection (b) of this section.
8	(2) The Bureau of Legislative Research shall provide staff for
9	the Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative Oversight Committee.
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11	SECTION 37. Arkansas Code Title 26, Chapter 51 is amended to add a new
12	subchapter to read as follows:
13	SUBCHAPTER 23 LOTTERY WITHHOLDING ACT
14	<u>26-51-2301. Title.</u>
15	This subchapter may be cited as the "Lottery Withholding Act".
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17	<u>26-51-2302</u> . Definitions.
18	As used in this subchapter:
19	(1) "Claim center" means a claim center established by the Arkansas
20	Lottery Commission under § 23-115-207;
21	(2) "Lottery" means the same as defined in § 23-115-103; and
22	(3) "Lottery winnings" means the proceeds of a lottery prize based on
23	the total amount paid from an Arkansas lottery or from a multistate or
24	multisovereign lottery without reduction for the amount paid for the lottery
25	ticket.
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27	<u>26-51-2303.</u> Administration.
28	(a) This subchapter shall be administered in accordance with the
29	Arkansas Tax Procedure Act, § 26-18-101 et seq.
30	(b) The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall
31	make and prescribe such rules, regulations, and forms as he or she deems
32	necessary to administer this subchapter.
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34	26-51-2304. Amount deducted and withheld — Credit.
35	(a) A claim center making a payment of lottery winnings on a single
36	lottery ticket of more than five thousand dollars (\$5.000) shall deduct and

1	withhold an amount equal to seven percent (7%) of each payment of the lottery
2	winnings.
3	(b) The amount deducted and withheld under this section from any
4	lottery winnings paid to a person during the income year shall be credited
5	against the income tax liability of that person under the Income Tax Act of
6	1929, § 26-51-101 et seq.
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8	26-51-2305. Withholding return, reporting, and payment — Lottery.
9	(a) A claim center shall register to withhold income tax under § 26-
10	$\underline{\text{51-2304}}$ from lottery winnings in the manner prescribed by the Director of the
11	Department of Finance and Administration.
12	(b) The withholding account used to report and remit the withholding
13	on wages shall not be used to report withholding on lottery winnings.
14	(c) A separate account for withholding on lottery winnings shall be
15	obtained from the Revenue Division of the Department of Finance and
16	Administration.
17	(d) Each claim center shall file a monthly return and remit the income
18	tax withheld from lottery winnings on or before the fifteenth day of the
19	month following the month in which the income tax was withheld.
20	(e) A claim center shall keep the following records and information
21	for six (6) years after the date the income tax becomes due or is paid,
22	whichever is later:
23	(1) The total lottery winnings paid;
24	(2) The amount of lottery winnings income tax withheld and
25	remitted;
26	(3) The name, address, social security number or taxpayer
27	identification number, and amount of lottery winnings of each person in
28	receipt of lottery winnings; and
29	(4) The name, address, and taxpayer identification number of the
30	<u>claim center.</u>
31	(f)(1) A claim center shall provide two (2) copies of a statement to
32	each person who received lottery winnings and had an amount withheld under §
33	26-51-2304 during the income year before January 31 following the close of
34	the income year.
35	(2) Each statement shall contain the following:
36	(A) The name, address, and social security number or

1	taxpayer identification number of the person in receipt of lottery winnings;
2	(B) The total amount of the lottery winnings subject to
3	withholding that was paid by the claim center to the recipient of the lottery
4	winnings for the income tax year;
5	(C) The total amount withheld from the recipient's lottery
6	winnings by the claim center under this subchapter for the income year;
7	(D) The name, address, and Arkansas identification number
8	of the claim center; and
9	(E) Such other information as the director shall require
10	by rule.
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12	26-51-2306. Duties of the claim centers and payees.
13	(a)(1) The Arkansas Lottery Commission is liable for amounts required
14	to be deducted and withheld by a claim center under this subchapter
15	regardless of whether the amounts were in fact deducted or withheld.
16	(2) Any sum withheld in accordance with this subchapter is
17	deemed to be held in trust for the State of Arkansas and shall be recorded by
18	the claim center in a ledger account so as to clearly indicate the amount of
19	income tax withheld and that the amount is the property of the State of
20	Arkansas.
21	(b) Each person that is subject to this subchapter and who is to
22	receive a payment of lottery winnings or is entitled to any portion of the
23	payment of lottery winnings shall furnish the claim center making the payment
24	a statement, made under penalty of perjury, containing his or her:
25	(1) Name;
26	(2) Address; and
27	(3) Social security number or taxpayer identification number.
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