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A Bill

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS
9 PROGRAM AND THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE
10 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM - PART 2; TO ALLOW A RECIPIENT OF
11 AN ARKANSAS GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARSHIP OR ARKANSAS
12 GOVERNOR'S DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARSHIP TO CONTINUE TO
13 RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP IN HIS OR HER FOURTH ACADEMIC
14 YEAR WHILE HE OR SHE IS ENROLLED AS A PART-TIME
15 STUDENT UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; TO ALLOW A
16 RECIPIENT OF AN ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE
17 SCHOLARSHIP TO RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP WHILE ENROLLED
18 AS A PART-TIME STUDENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

21 TO ALLOW RECIPIENTS OF ARKANSAS
22 GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARSHIPS, ARKANSAS
23 GOVERNOR'S DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARSHIPS,
24 AND THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE
25 SCHOLARSHIP TO CONTINUE TO RECEIVE THE
26 SCHOLARSHIPS WHILE ENROLLED PART-TIME.
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30 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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32 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-82-311(c), concerning student
33 requirements for maintaining eligibility under the Arkansas Governor's
34 Scholars Program, is amended to read as follows:

35 (c) Provided sufficient funds are available, a scholarship shall be
36 awarded for one (1) academic year and renewed annually for three (3)



1 additional academic years if the following conditions for renewal are met:

2 (1) The A student receiving a scholarship under § 6-82-312(a)
 3 maintains not less than a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scholastic grading
 4 scale;

5 (2) A student receiving a scholarship under § ~~6-82-312(a)~~ 6-82-
 6 312(b) maintains not less than a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scholastic
 7 grading scale;

8 (3) The A recipient of a scholarship under § 6-82-312(a) and (b)
 9 has successfully completed a total of at least twenty-seven (27) hours during
 10 the first full academic year and, if applicable, a total of at least thirty
 11 (30) hours per academic year thereafter; ~~and~~

12 (4) The A recipient of a scholarship under § 6-82-312(a) and (b)
 13 has met any other continuing eligibility criteria established by the
 14 Department of Higher Education-; and

15 (5)(A) If a student who has continuously been a recipient of the
 16 scholarship under § 6-82-312(a) or (b) for at least three (3) consecutive
 17 years is enrolled as a part-time student in the student's fourth academic
 18 year, the student shall be eligible to continue to receive the scholarship
 19 under § 6-82-312(a) or (b) if the student has completed, by his or her fourth
 20 academic year, or is enrolled in, for his or her fourth academic year, the
 21 requisite number of credit hours to complete the student's degree program.

22 (B) The scholarship amount for each semester in which a
 23 student who is the recipient of a scholarship under § 6-82-312(a) or (b) is
 24 enrolled under this subsection shall be prorated by the number of credit
 25 hours in which the student is enrolled.

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 27 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-85-212(e)(1)(A)(iv)(c)(1), concerning the
 28 scholarship award amount under the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship
 29 Program – Part 2 for a full-time scholarship recipient enrolled in a four-
 30 year approved institution of higher education, is amended to read as follows:

31 (c)(1) A recipient who is eligible to receive
 32 the scholarship under subdivision (e)(1)(A)(iv)(a) of this section may
 33 receive the scholarship while enrolled in a semester as a part-time student
 34 ~~if the recipient is enrolled in the number of credit hours necessary to~~
 35 ~~complete the recipient's degree program.~~

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