

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

1 State of Arkansas
2 81st General Assembly
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A Bill

ACT 1269 OF 1997
HOUSE BILL 2194

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5 By: Representative Young
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF ARKANSAS CODE
10 ANNOTATED §§ 6-82-301 ET SEQ. TO AUTHORIZE RECIPIENTS OF A
11 GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARSHIP WHO GRADUATE FROM COLLEGE IN THREE
12 (3) YEARS TO USE THE SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE FOURTH YEAR FOR
13 POSTGRADUATE STUDIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR
14 OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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17 "TO AUTHORIZE RECIPIENTS OF A GOVERNOR'S
18 SCHOLARSHIP WHO GRADUATE FROM COLLEGE IN
19 3 YEARS TO USE THE SCHOLARSHIP FOR A
20 FOURTH YEAR FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDIES."
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-82-310 is amended to read as
25 follows:

26 "6-82-310. Use of scholarship.

27 (a) No student may utilize these funds for educational purposes beyond
28 the baccalaureate degree.

29 (b)(1) There shall be an exception to the requirement of subsection (a)
30 of this section for any student who receives a baccalaureate degree in three
31 (3) years or less.

32 (2) Such student may receive an award of the scholarship for a
33 fourth academic year to be used as a full-time student enrolled in a
34 postgraduate program at an approved institution."
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36 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-82-302(1) is amended to read as

1 follows:

2 "(1) Approved institution means a public or private college or
3 university:

4 (A) Dedicated to educational purposes, located in Arkansas, or
5 located out of state and educating Arkansas residents in dentistry, optometry,
6 veterinary medicine, podiatry, chiropractic, or osteopathy under agreement
7 with the Board of Control for Southern Regional Education, accredited by an
8 accrediting agency certified and recognized by the United States Department of
9 Education or the Division of Agency Evaluation and Institutional
10 Accreditation, or a school giving satisfactory assurance that it has the
11 potential for accreditation and is making progress which, if continued, will
12 result in its achieving accreditation;

13 (B) Which does not discriminate in the admission of students on
14 the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin; and

15 (C) Which subscribes to the principle of academic freedom;"

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17 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
18 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
19 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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21 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
22 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
23 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
24 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
25 act are declared to be severable.

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27 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
28 hereby repealed.

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30 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY. It is found and determined by the General
31 Assembly that there are some students who qualify for a Governor's Scholarship
32 and receive an undergraduate degree in three (3) years or less and that
33 allowing these students to use the Governor's Scholarship for a fourth year in
34 a postgraduate program would provide an incentive to other students to strive
35 toward receiving a bachelors degree in less than four (4) years and that the
36 immediate effectiveness of this act is essential to the efficient

1 administration of the Governor's Scholarship Program. Therefore, an emergency
2 is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the
3 preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall become effective on
4 the date of its approval by the Governor. If the bill is neither approved nor
5 vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the
6 period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is
7 vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective
8 on the date the last house overrides the veto.

9 /s/Young

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11 APPROVED: 4-09-97

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