State of Arkansas 1 As Engrossed: S3/15/99 S3/16/99 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly Act 882 of 1999 3 Regular Session, 1999 SENATE BILL 960 4 5 By: Senator Mahony 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE EMPLOYMENT CREDIT FOR CERTAIN 9 EMPLOYEES OF OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT: 10 CONCERNING ANNUAL CAREER SERVICE RECOGNITION PAYMENTS 11 12 FOR STATE EMPLOYEES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 13 **Subtitle** 14 15 16 TO PROVIDE EMPLOYMENT CREDIT FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT 17 18 ENFORCEMENT; AND CONCERNING CAREER SERVICE PAYMENTS FOR STATE EMPLOYEES." 19 20 21 22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 23 24 SECTION 1. Any employee of the Office of Child Support Enforcement who was formerly employed by a public contractor with a contract in effect as of 25 January 1, 1998, with the Office of Child Support Enforcement, and who moved 26 from employment with the public contractor to employment with the Office of 27 28 Child Support Enforcement without a break in service, shall be entitled to 29 credit for service for the time they were employed by the contractor for the 30 purpose of establishing eligibility for annual leave accrual and career 31 service awards to the same extent as regular state employees. 32 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 21-5-106 (a) is amended to read as 33 follows: 34 35 "(a) Employees of state agencies and nonfaculty employees of institutions of higher education shall become eligible for annual career 36

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1	service recognition payments upon completion of ten (10) or more years of
2	service in <u>either elected positions or</u> a classified or nonclassified position
3	or positions with an agency or institution of the State of Arkansas.
4	Provided, however, that such service shall have been in either elected
5	positions or a regular full-time position or positions. Periods of authorized
6	leave without pay shall not negate eligibility for such payment, nor shall
7	leave of absence for military service when veterans' reemployment rights are
8	exercised, provided all other eligibility requirements are met."
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10	SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
11	are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
12	Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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14	SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
15	any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
16	other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
17	the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
18	act are declared to be severable.
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20	SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
21	hereby repealed.
22	/s/ Mahony
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