1 State of Arkansas As Engrossed: S3/12/01 S3/27/01 A Bill Act 1372 of 2001 2 83rd General Assembly SENATE BILL 886 3 Regular Session, 2001 4 5 By: Joint Budget Committee 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A "GROWTH POOL" OF POSITIONS 9 FOR THE TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER 10 11 EDUCATION; TO REPEAL ARKANSAS CODE 29-30-105; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. 12 13 **Subtitle** 14 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A "GROWTH POOL" OF 15 16 POSITIONS FOR THE TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO REPEAL ARKANSAS 17 18 CODE 29-30-105. 19 20 21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 22 23 SECTION 1. Establishment of a growth pool. 24 (a) The Arkansas Department of Higher Education or its successor 25 agency shall establish and maintain for the 2001-2003 biennium a pool of one 26 hundred (100) nonclassified positions at a salary level not to exceed sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) per year. These positions are to be used by the 27 two-year institutions of higher education in the event that the personal 28 29 services needs of the two-year institutions of higher education during the 2001-2003 biennium exceed the number of positions allocated to the two-year 30 31 institutions of higher education by the General Assembly. The two-year 32 institutions of higher education shall provide justification to the Arkansas 33 Department of Higher Education or its successor agency for the need to allocate titles from this growth pool. No classifications will be assigned 34 35 to the pool until such time as specific positions are requested by the twoyear institutions of higher education, approved by the institution's board or 36

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     its designee, and reviewed by the Legislative Council.
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           (b) Furthermore, the Department of Finance and Administration's Office
     of Personnel Management shall establish and maintain for the 2001-2003
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     biennium a pool of one hundred (100) classified positions at up to a grade
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     positions are requested by the two-year institutions of higher education,
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     Legislative Council.
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           SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 29-30-105 is repealed.
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           29-30-105. Amendment of Acts 1997, No. 1117, §1.
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           Section 1 of Uncodified Act 1177 of 1997 is amended to read as follows:
           "ESTABLISHMENT OF A "GROWTH POOL." The Arkansas Department of Higher
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     Department of Finance and Administration's Office of Personnel Management
     (OPM) shall establish and maintain for the 1999-2001 biennium a pool of one
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1	to be used by the two-year institutions of higher education in the event that
2	the personal services needs of the two-year institutions of higher education
3	during the 1999-2001 biennium exceed the number of positions in a
4	classification allocated to the two-year institutions of higher education by
5	the Legislature. The two-year institutions of higher education shall provide
6	justification to OPM for the need to allocate titles from this "growth pool."
7	No classifications will be assigned to the pool until such time as specific
8	positions are requested by the two-year institutions of higher education,
9	recommended by OPM, and reviewed by the Legislative Council."
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11	SECTION 3. <u>EMERGENCY CLAUSE</u> . It is found and determined by the
12	General Assembly that Act 323 of 1999 expires on June 30, 2001; that the two-
13	year colleges are still growing at an unprecedented rate and if the growth
14	pool is not continued the colleges will be unable to serve their students
15	properly. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being
16	immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
17	safety shall become effective on July 1, 2001.
18	/s/ Joint Budget Committee
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