

1 State of Arkansas  
2 91st General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2017  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1306

5 By: Representative Sorvillo  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PARTIAL STATE  
9 CONTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYEES' PREMIUMS; TO DECLARE AN  
10 EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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14 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PARTIAL  
15 STATE CONTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYEES'  
16 PREMIUMS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 21-5-414(b), concerning state contributions  
22 generally, is amended to read as follows:

23 (b) Participating entities shall make a monthly contribution equal to  
24 the number of budgeted state employee positions multiplied by the monthly  
25 contribution authorized by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, not to  
26 exceed ~~four hundred twenty five dollars (\$425)~~ four hundred fifty dollars  
27 (\$450) monthly for each state employee budgeted position into a fund  
28 designated for state employee health benefits to partially defray the cost of  
29 life and health benefits for state employees and retirees participating in  
30 the program.  
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32 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
33 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the effectiveness of this act  
34 is essential to finance and the operations of state government; that in the  
35 event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the effective  
36 date of this act could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration



1 of essential government programs; and that this act is necessary because it  
2 ensures the timely administration of government programs. Therefore, an  
3 emergency is declared to exist, and this act being necessary for the  
4 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective  
5 on July 1, 2017.

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