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**Amendment Form**

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1223

TO ALLOW CERTAIN PART-TIME PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE  
AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM.

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**Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1223**

Amend House Bill No. 1223 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 33, delete "A bus" and substitute "A full-time school bus"

AND

Page 1, line 35, delete "employee who" and substitute "employee who is not a full-time school bus driver and who"

AND

Page 1, delete line 36, and substitute the following:  
"is ineligible to participate in the program."

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 21-5-410, concerning the eligibility to participate in the State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Program, is amended to add additional subsections to read as follows:

(h) As used in this section, "full-time school bus driver" means a person:

(1) Who contracts with a public school district to operate a school bus for at least seven hundred twenty (720) hours during the school year;

(2) Whose primary source of income during the school year is obtained by operating a school bus for a public school district; or

(3) Who contracts with a public school district to operate a school bus and is designated by the superintendent as a full-time school bus driver, regardless of the number of hours for which the person contracted.

(i) All school bus drivers who are not eligible under current law to participate in the group insurance program provided for by §§ 6-17-1109 and 6-17-1112 – 6-17-1115 are eligible to participate in the group insurance program provided that they pay all costs associated with participating in the group insurance program unless the employing school district opts to pay all or a portion of those costs."



The Amendment was read \_\_\_\_\_  
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