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A Bill

SENATE BILL 490

5 By: Senator K. Hammer
6 By: Representative Lowery
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUCCEED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM; TO
10 EXPAND THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS
11 PARTICIPATING IN THE SUCCEED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM; AND
12 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO EXPAND THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
16 FOR STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE SUCCEED
17 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-41-902(a)(2), concerning student
24 eligibility for purposes of the Succeed Scholarship Program, is amended to
25 read as follows:

26 (2) The student:

27 (A) Is in foster care or has been in the foster care
28 system and achieved permanency through adoption, reunification, or permanent
29 guardianship; or

30 (B) Has an individualized education program in accordance
31 with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1400 et
32 seq. or has been medically diagnosed by a licensed physician as a child with
33 a disability under 20 U.S.C. § 1401(3)(A);

34 (C) Participated in the Succeed Scholarship Program during
35 the prior school year and has not yet graduated from high school or attained
36 twenty-one (21) years of age; or



1 (D) Has an individualized service plan in accordance with
2 the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1412(a)(10);
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4 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-41-902, concerning student eligibility
5 for purposes of the Succeed Scholarship Program, is amended to add an
6 additional subsection to read as follows:

7 (d) For purposes of continuity of educational choice, the Succeed
8 Scholarship Program payments made under this subchapter shall remain in
9 effect until a student who is participating in the Succeed Scholarship
10 Program returns to a public school district or open-enrollment public charter
11 school, graduates from high school, or attains twenty-one (21) years of age,
12 whichever occurs first.

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15 /s/K. Hammer
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