

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
85th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2005  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 940**

"AN ACT TO AMEND THE FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE  
ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM."

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**Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 940.**

Amend Senate Bill No. 940 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 27 through 33 entirely, and substitute the following:

"(1)(A) "Approved institution" means a ~~public or private college, university, or nursing school located in Arkansas that is approved by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing and only under the conditions set forth in § 6-82-1007 or accredited by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the North Central Association or that certifies to the Department of Higher Education that its students are accepted for transfer at institutions accredited by the commission.~~

~~(B) Furthermore, an approved institution shall not discriminate against applicants, students, or employees on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, or national origin, consistent with the provisions of applicable state and federal law public-supported or private, non-profit postsecondary institution with its primary headquarters located in Arkansas and is eligible to receive Title IV federal student aid funds or any nursing school with its primary headquarters located in Arkansas and is eligible to participate in Title IV federal student aid programs."~~

AND

Page 3, line 28, delete "2005" and substitute "2004"

AND

Page 4, line 13, delete "after December 31, 2005" and substitute "on or after December 31, 2004"

AND

Page 4, line 16, delete "applicant" and substitute "applicant or other proof of family income as defined by the Department of Higher Education"



AND

Page 4, delete line 35 and substitute:  
"when the department calculates financial need.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the financial eligibility requirements for the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship Program must be clarified; that clarification of the eligibility requirements for financial need will help more Arkansas students enter and complete their post-secondary education; and that this act is immediately necessary to prevent student hardships and provide stability for the 2005-2006 school year. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

- (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;
- (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or
- (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."

AND

If appropriate, renumber the remaining sections of the bill

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and \_\_\_\_\_  
By: Senator J. Jeffress  
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