ARKANSAS SENATE

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 885 "TO MODIFY THE STATE TEACHER ASSISTANCE RESOURCE PROGRAM."

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 885.

Amend Senate Bill No. 885 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete line 20 and substitute:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 81, Subchapter 15 is amended to read as follows: 6-81-1501. Title."

AND

Page 2, line 3, delete "and" and substitute "and"

AND

Page 2, delete line 6 and substitute:

"introduce students to the profession of teaching;

- (5) "Freshman" means any first-time full-time student with acceptance at an approved institution of higher education;
- (6) "Sophomore" means any full-time student with a minimum of thirty (30) accumulated semester hours at time of receiving this grant;
- (7) "Junior" means any full-time student with a minimum of sixty (60) accumulated semester hours at time of receiving this forgivable loan; and
- (8) "Senior" means any full-time student with a minimum of ninety (90) accumulated semester hours at time of receiving this forgivable loan."

AND

Page 2, delete line 18 and substitute:

"administered by the Department of Higher Education.

(b) The department shall adopt standards for awarding the grants to ensure that students in their freshman and sophomore years who are actively pursuing a degree in teaching will receive the grant."



AND

Page 2, line 19, delete "(b)" and substitute " $\frac{(b)}{(c)}$ "

AND

Page 2, line 20, delete "sophomore, junior, or" and substitute "sophomore, junior, or junior and"

AND

Page 2, line 24, delete "(c)" and substitute " $\frac{(c)}{(d)}$ "

AND

Page 2, line 27, delete "(d)" and substitute "(d)(e)"

AND

Page 2, line 32, delete "(e)" and substitute "(e)(f)"

AND

Page 3, delete line 14 and substitute:

- "(a) A student entering his or her freshman or sophomore year and admitted to an approved institution of higher education as determined by the Department of Higher Education shall be eligible to receive a grant under the State Teacher Assistance Resource Program if:
- (1) The student earns a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 or above on a 4.0 scale at an approved high school or higher education institution;
- (2) The student agrees to pursue a degree within the teaching profession; and
- (3) The student meets any other continuing eligibility criteria established by the Department of Higher Education.
- $\underline{\text{(b)}}$ A student entering his or her $\underline{\text{sophomore,}}$ junior, or senior year and"

AND

Page 3, delete line 27 and substitute:

"provide:

(i) Is enrolled in an institution of higher education in the state; and

(ii) Who commits to teach in a public school located in a geographical area of the state designated as having a critical shortage of teachers or in a subject matter area designated as having a critical

shortage of teachers;

(B) A one-year grant in the amount of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) for a sophomore who:

(i) Is actively pursuing a degree in teaching at an institution of higher education in the state; and

(ii) Who commits to teach in a public school located in a geographical area of the state designated as having a critical shortage of teachers or in a subject matter area designated as having a critical shortage of teachers;"

AND

Page 3, line 28, delete "(A)" and substitute " $\frac{(A)(C)}{(C)}$ "

AND

Page 3, line 35, delete "(B)" and substitute " $\frac{(B)}{(D)}$ "

AND

Page 4, line 7, delete "(C)" and substitute "(C)(E)"

AND

Page 4, line 11, delete "or" and substitute "or"

AND

Page 4, line 12, delete "(D)" and substitute " $\frac{(D)(F)}{(F)}$ "

AND

Page 4, line 17, delete "teachers;" and substitute "teachers."

AND

Page 4, delete lines 18 through 33 entirely

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the secon	nd time and
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