

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2009-152

State of Arkansas

*As Engrossed: S3/24/09*

87th General Assembly

**A Bill**

Regular Session, 2009

SENATE BILL 799

By: Senators Elliott, Madison, Salmon, H. Wilkins

By: Representatives Rainey, T. Baker, Blount, Carroll, L. Smith

Filed with: Senate Interim Committee on Education  
pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

**For An Act To Be Entitled**

AN ACT TO INCREASE ACCESS TO POSTSECONDARY  
EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**Subtitle**

TO INCREASE ACCESS TO POSTSECONDARY  
EDUCATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. The General Assembly finds that:

(1) There are children of undocumented immigrants who have lived in Arkansas most of their lives;

(2) Most of these children have spent their formative years in Arkansas elementary and secondary schools;

(3) Many of these children have proven their academic ability by graduating from Arkansas high schools;

(4) Many of these children are precluded from accessing an affordable college education because they do not qualify for in-state tuition rates or state-supported scholarships;

(5) Educational opportunities should be offered to all children so they may contribute to the future economic viability of Arkansas;

(6) There is a correlation between the number of residents with a college degree and the economic health of the state;



