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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

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By: Representatives McGinnis and Pollan

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 19, CHAPTER 4, SUBCHAPTER 17 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987 TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT LIMITS FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO AVOID DELAYS AND STIMULATE ACQUISITION OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 19-4-1710 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"19-4-1710. Submission of contracts required.

(a) (1) Except as provided in (c) below, any contract for professional services or consultant services requiring the services of an individual for regular full-time or part-time weekly work, or services for longer than twenty (20) actual working days, or the total compensation exceeds five thousand dollars (\$5,000) must be presented to the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee by the Department of Finance and Administration prior to the execution date of the contract.

(2) The Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee shall provide the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State with their advice as to the propriety of the contract within thirty (30) days of the submission.

(3) This contract shall not be submitted to the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee until the department has reviewed the contract and provided the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee with a recommendation as to the legality of the contract.

(b) The Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee may review or exempt from review any contract or group of contracts contemplated by this subchapter.

(c) (1) Any contract for professional services or consultant services by a state institution of higher education requiring the services of an

individual for regular full-time or part-time weekly work, or services for longer than ninety (90) actual working days, or the total compensation exceeds twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) must be presented to the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee by the Department of Finance and Administration prior to the execution date of the contract.

(2) The Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee shall provide the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State with their advice as to the propriety of the contract within thirty (30) days of the submission.

(3) This contract shall not be submitted to the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee until the department has reviewed the contract and provided the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee with a recommendation as to the legality of the contract.

(4) Any contract for professional services or consultant services by a state institution of higher education requiring the services of an individual for regular full-time or part-time weekly work, or services for longer than twenty (20) actual working days, or the total compensation exceeds five thousand dollars (\$5,000) shall be reported quarterly to the Legislative Council or the Joint Budget Committee and the Department of Finance and Administration in such form as the Department may require."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.