

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1795

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5 By: Representatives French, Jeffress, Angel, McKissack, Schexnayder, and Ingram
6 By: Senator Scott

For An Act To Be Entitled

10 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED § 6-64-302 BY
11 ESTABLISHING A BOARD OF VISITORS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF
12 ARKANSAS AT MONTICELLO; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

15 "TO AMEND A.C.A. § 6-64-302 BY
16 ESTABLISHING A BOARD OF VISITORS FOR THE
17 UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT MONTICELLO."

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

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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-64-302 is amended to read as
22 follows:

23 "6-64-302. Monticello Establishment - Board of Visitors.

24 (a) The Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas is authorized
25 to establish and operate, as a part thereof, a campus to be known as the
26 University of Arkansas at Monticello, consolidating and incorporating therein
27 the state institution formerly known as Arkansas Agricultural and Mechanical
28 College, which, together with its board of trustees, was abolished as a
29 separate institution with responsibility transferred to the control of the
30 Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas as a part of the University of
31 Arkansas effective July 1, 1971.

32 (b)(1) There is established the Board of Visitors for the University of
33 Arkansas at Monticello, which shall consist of nine (9) members appointed by
34 the Governor.

35 (2) The Governor shall endeavor to make appointments to the
36 initial board of visitors, and thereafter as terms expire and vacancies occur

1 for any reason, so that at least five (5) members of the board will be alumni
 2 of the University of Arkansas at Monticello, two (2) members represent the
 3 state at-large, and seven (7) members represent the following counties: Drew,
 4 Ashley, Bradley, Chicot, Cleveland, Desha, and Lincoln.

5 (c)(1) Appointments shall be bipartisan and be for terms of three (3)
 6 years, with members of the initial board drawing lots for terms of from one
 7 (1) year to three (3) years.

8 (2) Members may serve no more than two (2) consecutive terms but
 9 shall otherwise be eligible for reappointment to the board.

10 (3) When there is a vacancy in an unexpired term, the appointee
 11 shall serve for the remaining portion of the term.

12 (d) The general purposes of the board of visitors shall be to:

13 (1) Perform a liaison function between the University of Arkansas
 14 at Monticello and the President and the Board of Trustees of the University of
 15 Arkansas;

16 (2) Aid in securing financial support;

17 (3) Advise upon and interpret the educational and service needs
 18 of the state of Arkansas as they relate to the mission and programs of the
 19 University of Arkansas at Monticello;

20 (4) Aid in the continuing development of the University of
 21 Arkansas at Monticello as a major four-year campus of the University of
 22 Arkansas; and

23 (5) Furnish counsel and guidance, by advice and recommendations,
 24 for the University of Arkansas at Monticello.

25 (e) The Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas shall maintain
 26 and operate the campus at Monticello as a major four-year campus of the
 27 University of Arkansas, offering at that location the highest possible quality
 28 of high educational programs, and shall provide for the sound growth and
 29 improvement of the quality of the academic programs."

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

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35 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
 36 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect

1 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
2 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
3 act are declared to be severable.

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5 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
6 hereby repealed.

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