1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: H3/26/99	
2	82nd General Assembly	A Bill	
3	Regular Session, 1999		HOUSE BILL 2274
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5	By: Representative Gullett		
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8		For An Act To Be Entitled	d
9	"AN ACT TO CREATE THE 'ARKANSAS TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP		
10	PROGRAM'; ANI	O FOR OTHER PURPOSES."	
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12		Subtitle	
13	"TO CRE	ATE THE 'ARKANSAS TRANSFER	
14	SCHOLAR	SHIP PROGRAM'."	
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17	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENE	ERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE O	OF ARKANSAS:
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19	SECTION 1. There i	is hereby created the 'Arkan	isas Transfer Scholarship
20	Program' to encourage and	d assist outstanding graduat	es of Arkansas' public
21	teo-year colleges to purs	sue bachelor's degrees at th	ne state's public four-year
22	<u>institutions.</u>		
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24	SECTION 2. <u>(a) TI</u>	he president or chancellor o	of each public two-year
25		annually select the recipie	ents of Transfer
26	<u>Schol arshi ps.</u>		
27		such scholarships available	
28		revious fall's total headcou	unt enrollment as reported
29	by the Department of High		
30		tions with enrollments of le	
31	-	entitled to one (1) scholar	<u>-</u>
32		tions with enrollment of at	
33		nd (2,000) students will be	entitled to two (2)
34	schol arshi ps		
35		tions with enrollment of at	
36	but less than three thous	sand (3,000) students will b	ne entitled to three (3)

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- 2 (4) Institutions with enrollment of at least three thousand
- 3 (3,000) but less than four thousand (4,000) students will be entitled to four
- 4 (4) schol arshi ps.
- 5 (5) Institutions with enrollment of at least four thousand
- 6 (4,000) but less than five thousand (5,000) students will be entitled to five
- 7 <u>(5) schol arshi ps.</u>
- 8 <u>(6) Institutions with enrollment of at least five thousand</u>
- 9 (5,000) but less than six thousand (6,000) students will be entitled to two
- 10 <u>(6) schol arshi ps.</u>
- 11 (7) Institutions with enrollment of at least six thousand (6,000)
- 12 <u>students will be entitled to seven (7) scholarships.</u>
- 13 <u>(c) Criteria for selection of outstanding graduates designated as</u>
- 14 recipients of Transfer Scholarships shall be established by the president or
- 15 chancellor of each two-year institution in consultation with the faculty and
- 16 staff. Such criteria, which may include such elements as class rank and
- 17 minimum GPA in courses which are transferable toward a four-year degree, shall
- 18 <u>be reported to the Department of Higher Education by December 15th of each</u>
- 19 year.
- 20 (d) In the spring or summer of each year, beginning in 2000, each
- 21 president or chancellor shall submit to the Department of Higher Education a
- 22 list of scholarship recipients, along with certification that each meets the
- 23 criteria previously established by the institution.
- 24 (e) An institution may submit fewer recipients than the number to which
- 25 <u>it is eligible</u>. In the event funding for the program is insufficient to meet
- 26 the total demand, the Department of Higher Education may reduce, in as fair a
- 27 <u>manner as possible, the number of scholarships to which an institution is</u>
- 28 eligible.
- 29 (e) The Department of Higher Education will make scholarship awards to
- 30 the Arkansas public university at which the recipient enrolls in the fall
- 31 following selection as a recipient of a Transfer Scholarship.
- 32 <u>(f) Transfer Scholarships shall be in the amount of three thousand</u>
- 33 dollars (\$3,000) per year. Scholarships may be renewed for a second year
- 34 provided the recipient has maintained a GPA of at least 3.0 and has
- 35 successfully completed thirty (30) credit hours during the first year of
- 36 <u>eligibility.</u>

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1	(g) Additional guidelines necessary for successful administration of		
2	this program shall be developed by the staff of the Department of Higher		
3	Education and approved by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board.		
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5	SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature		
6	are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code		
7	Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.		
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9	SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to		
10	any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect		
11	other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without		
12	the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this		
13	act are declared to be severable.		
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15	SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are		
16	hereby repealed.		
17	/s/ Gullett		
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