1 State of Arkansas As Engrossed: H2/2/01 A Bill 2 83rd General Assembly HOUSE BILL 1290 3 Regular Session, 2001 4 5 By: Joint Budget Committee 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 21-5-414 TO INCREASE THE 9 MAXIMUM STATE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' 10 11 HEALTH INSURANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. 12 **Subtitle** 13 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 21-5-414 14 15 TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM STATE 16 CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE. 17 18 19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 20 21 22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 21-5-414 is amended to read as follows: 23 21-5-414. State contributions generally - Partial state contribution of 24 employees' premiums. 25 The Department of Finance and Administration shall seek the advice 26 of the Legislative Council and the House and Senate Interim Committees on Insurance and Commerce before additional contributions can be made. 27 (b) The State of Arkansas, on behalf of agencies participating in the 28 29 plans adopted by the state, is authorized to make a monthly contribution equal to the number of budgeted state employee positions times the monthly 30 31 contribution authorized by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, not to exceed two hundred seventy- five dollars (\$275) three hundred fifty dollars 32 33 (\$350) monthly for each state employee budgeted position into a fund designated for state employee health benefits, to partially defray the cost of 34 35 life and health insurance for employees of the state participating in the plan sponsored by the board. The Department of Finance and Administration may make 36

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1	a monthly contribution to partially defray the cost of health insurance for
2	state employee retirees, utilizing funds made available for such purpose, not
3	to exceed the amount authorized by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.
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