1 State of Arkansas A Bill 2 83rd General Assembly HOUSE BILL 2575 3 Regular Session, 2001 4 5 By: Representative C. Johnson 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 9 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 21-5-411(c) CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY OF CERTAIN RETIRED 10 11 EMPLOYEES OF INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO 12 CONTINUE COVERAGE IN THE GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM: AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES 13 14 **Subtitle** 15 16 AN ACT CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY OF CERTAIN RETIRED EMPLOYEES OF INSTITUTIONS OF 17 18 HIGHER EDUCATION TO CONTINUE COVERAGE IN 19 THE GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM. 20 21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 22 23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 21-5-411(c), concerning eligibility of 24 25 certain retired employees to continue coverage in the group health insurance 26 program, is amended to read as follows: 27 (c) Eligible employees of institutions of higher education who are retired with at least ten (10) five (5) years of creditable service after 28 29 July 1, 1983, shall be allowed to participate in the group insurance program provided for in this subchapter but shall pay the full amount of the premium 30 31 or cost of the policy issued to the retired participant. All eligible 32 participants must make an option selection of coverage within thirty-one (31) 33 days subsequent to the date of their notification of termination or retirement. 34 35 36