

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

State of Arkansas
85th General Assembly
Regular Session, 2005

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1376

By: Representative Abernathy

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A "GROWTH POOL" OF POSITIONS
FOR TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A GROWTH POOL OF
POSITIONS FOR TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF
HIGHER EDUCATION.

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

SECTION 1. Establishment of a growth pool.

(a)(1) The Department of Higher Education or its successor agency shall establish and maintain for the 2005-2007 biennium a pool of two hundred (200) non-classified positions at a salary level not to exceed sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) per year.

(2) These positions are to be used by two-year institutions of higher education in the event that the personnel service needs of the two-year institutions of higher education during the 2005-2007 biennium exceed the number of positions allocated to the two-year institutions of higher education by the General Assembly.

(3) The two-year institutions of higher education shall provide justification to the Department of Higher Education or its successor agency for the need to allocate titles from this growth pool.

(4) No classifications shall be assigned to the pool until such time as specific positions are requested by the two-year institutions of higher education, approved by the institution's board or its designee, and



1 reviewed by the Legislative Council.

2 (b)(1) The Office of Personnel Management of the Department of Finance
3 and Administration shall establish and maintain for the 2005-2007 biennium a
4 pool of one hundred (100) classified positions not to exceed a grade twenty
5 six (26).

6 (2) These positions are to be used by the two-year institutions
7 of higher education in the event that the personnel service needs of the two-
8 year institutions of higher education during the 2005-2007 biennium exceed
9 the number of positions in a classification allocated to the two-year
10 institutions of higher education by the General Assembly.

11 (3) The two-year institutions of higher education shall provide
12 justification to the Office of Personnel Management for the need to allocate
13 titles from this growth pool.

14 (4) No classifications shall be assigned to the pool until such
15 time as specific positions are requested by the two-year institutions of
16 higher education, recommended by the Office of Personnel Management of the
17 Department of Finance and Administration, and reviewed by the Legislative
18 Council.

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20 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
21 General Assembly that Act 7 of the 2nd Extraordinary Session of the 84th
22 General Assembly providing a growth pool of positions for two-year colleges
23 expires on June 30, 2005; and that the two-year colleges are still growing at
24 an unprecedented rate and if the growth pool is not continued the colleges
25 will be unable to serve their students properly. Therefore, an emergency is
26 declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the
27 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective
28 on July 1, 2005.