

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.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2453

5 By: Representatives Bolin, Maxwell, Reep, Rankin
6 By: Senator J. Jeffress
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 AN ACT TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL MEMBER TO THE BOARD
11 OF VISITORS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT
12 MONTICELLO; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 AN ACT TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL MEMBER TO
16 THE BOARD OF VISITORS FOR THE UNIVERSITY
17 OF ARKANSAS AT MONTICELLO.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-64-302 is amended to read as follows:
24 6-64-302. Monticello - Establishment - Board of Visitors.

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

33 (b)(1) There is established the Board of Visitors for the University
34 of Arkansas at Monticello, which shall consist of ~~eleven (11)~~ twelve (12)
35 members appointed by the Governor.

36 (2)(A) First, the Governor shall make seven (7) appointments



1 from a list of no fewer than twenty (20) names jointly prepared by the
2 members of the House of Representatives representing the eighth, ninth,
3 tenth, and twelfth house districts and the Senator representing the twenty-
4 fourth senate district.

5 (B) The seven (7) appointments shall include one (1) each
6 from Ashley, Bradley, Chicot, Cleveland, Desha, Drew, and Lincoln counties.

7 (3)(A) Second, the Governor shall appoint two (2) members from:

8 (i) The Board of Directors of Forest Echoes
9 Technical Institute, which after July 1, 2003, shall be known as the
10 University of Arkansas at Monticello College of Technology-Crossett; and

11 (ii) The Board of Directors of Great Rivers
12 Technical Institute, which after July 1, 2003, shall be known as the
13 University of Arkansas at Monticello College of Technology-McGehee.

14 (B) The Board of Directors of Forest Echoes Technical
15 Institute, which after July 1, 2003, shall be known as the University of
16 Arkansas at Monticello College of Technology-Crossett, and Great Rivers
17 Technical Institute, which after July 1, 2003, shall be known as the
18 University of Arkansas at Monticello College of Technology-McGehee, shall be
19 appointed by the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas.

20 (4) The remaining member of the Board of Visitors for the
21 University of Arkansas at Monticello shall be appointed by the Governor.

22 (c)(1)(A) Appointments shall be bipartisan and be for terms of three
23 (3) years.

24 (B) The Governor shall make appointments to the initial
25 board of visitors and thereafter as terms expire and vacancies occur for any
26 reason, so that at least seven (7) members of the board will be alumni of the
27 University of Arkansas at Monticello.

28 (C) After the expiration of the terms of the members
29 initially appointed under subdivision (b)(1)(B) of this section, the members
30 appointed by the Governor in 2006 shall draw lots for staggered terms with
31 the terms of four (4) members expiring in 2007, the terms of four (4) members
32 expiring in 2008, and the terms of ~~three (3)~~ four (4) members expiring in
33 2009.

34 (D) Appointments after 2006 shall be for terms of three
35 (3) years.

36 (2) Members may serve no more than two (2) consecutive terms but

1 shall otherwise be eligible for reappointment to the board of visitors.

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

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

5 (1) Perform a liaison function between the University of
6 Arkansas at Monticello and the President and the Board of Trustees of the
7 University of Arkansas;

8 (2) Aid in securing financial support;

9 (3) Advise upon and interpret the educational and service needs
10 of the State of Arkansas as they relate to the mission and programs of the
11 University of Arkansas at Monticello;

12 (4) Aid in the continuing development of the University of
13 Arkansas at Monticello as a major four-year campus of the University of
14 Arkansas; and

15 (5) Furnish counsel and guidance by advice and recommendations
16 for the University of Arkansas at Monticello.

17 (e) The Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas shall maintain
18 and operate the campus at Monticello as a major four-year campus of the
19 University of Arkansas, offering at that location the highest possible
20 quality of high educational programs, shall provide for the sound growth and
21 improvement of the quality of the academic programs, and shall expand its
22 mission to include technical education at Forest Echoes Technical Institute,
23 which after July 1, 2003, shall be known as the University of Arkansas at
24 Monticello College of Technology-Crossett, and Great Rivers Technical
25 Institute, which after July 1, 2003, shall be known as the University of
26 Arkansas at Monticello College of Technology-McGehee.

27 ~~(f)(1) The terms of all members serving on the board of visitors on~~
28 ~~July 15, 2003, shall expire at midnight on July 16, 2003, and new members~~
29 ~~shall be appointed by the Governor.~~

30 ~~(2) Members serving on the board of visitors prior to July 16,~~
31 ~~2003, may be reappointed if they are named on the list presented to the~~
32 ~~Governor.~~

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/s/ Bolin, et al

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