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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2	87th General Assembly A Bill	
3	Regular Session, 2009HOUSE BILL207	6
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5	By: Representative Webb	
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled	
9	AN ACT TO AMEND THE NONPROFIT INCENTIVE ACT TO	
10	SPECIFY THAT THE NONPROFIT CORPORATION BE A (501)(c)	
11	ORGANIZATION; TO CHANGE THE PAYROLL THRESHOLD FOR	
12	QUALIFICATION; TO CHANGE THE INVESTMENT THRESHOLD FOR	
13	QUALIFICATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.	
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15	Subtitle	
16	AN ACT TO AMEND THE NONPROFIT INCENTIVE	
17	ACT OF 2007.	
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20	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:	
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22	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 15-4-3103(7), concerning definitions under	
23	the Nonprofit Incentive Act of 2005, is amended to read as follows:	
24	(7) "Nonprofit organization" means an entity that has filed required	
25	documents with and been approved by the Secretary of State as having met the	
26	qualifications for a nonprofit organization in Arkansas and that also has	
27	received a § 501(c)(3) <u>, § 501(c)(6), or § 502(c)(9)</u> designation from the	
28	Internal Revenue Service prior to applying for the benefits afforded under	
29	this subchapter;	
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31	SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 15-4-3104(a), concerning eligibility for	
32	benefits under the Nonprofit Incentive Act of 2005, is amended to read as	
33	follows:	
34	(a) Only those <u>A</u> nonprofit organizations organization that have has a	
35	payroll of new full-time permanent employees in excess of one million dollars	}
36	(\$1,000,000) five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) annually may apply for	



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1 and receive any benefits authorized by this subchapter.

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3 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 15-4-3105(b)(2), concerning a sales and use 4 tax refund under the Nonprofit Incentive Act of 2005, is amended to read as 5 follows:

6 (2) To qualify for the sales and use tax refund authorized by
7 <u>under</u> this section, a qualified nonprofit organization shall spend in excess
8 of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) two hundred fifty thousand
9 <u>(\$250,000)</u> on buildings, machinery, and equipment in the new or improved
10 facility.

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SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 15-4-3106(d)(3)-(6), concerning the payroll rebate under the Nonprofit Incentive Act of 2005, is amended to read as follows:

(3) The requisite annual payroll of one million dollars
(\$1,000,000) five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) shall be reached within
twenty-four (24) months of the signing of the financial incentive agreement
for the benefits of this section to be approved.

19 (4) If the Director of the Arkansas Economic Development 20 Commission and the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration 21 find that the nonprofit organization has presented compelling reasons for an 22 extension of time, the Director of the Arkansas Economic Development 23 Commission may grant an extension of time not to exceed twenty-four (24) 24 months to reach the requisite annual payroll of one million dollars 25 (\$1,000,000) five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).

(5) In addition to having an annual payroll of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) or more, the nonprofit organization applying for benefits under this subchapter shall pay average hourly wages in excess of one hundred ten percent (110%) of the lesser of the state or county average wage for the county in which the organization locates or expands.

32 (6) Payments to nonprofit organizations <u>a nonprofit organization</u> 33 with an annual payroll in excess of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) <u>five</u> 34 <u>hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000)</u> shall be considered and may be authorized 35 by the Director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, after the 36 Director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission has signed a

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1	financial incentive agreement with the nonprofit organization, in the amount
2	of four percent (4%) of the annual payroll of the new full-time permanent
3	employees.
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