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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1413

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING LOTTERY-FUNDED SCHOLARSHIP  
9 PROGRAMS; TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE  
10 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, ARKANSAS WORKFORCE CHALLENGE  
11 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, AND ARKANSAS CONCURRENT  
12 CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM TO INCLUDE VOCATIONAL-  
13 TECHNICAL SCHOOLS AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AS  
14 APPROVED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR  
15 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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19 TO AMEND THE LOTTERY-FUNDED SCHOLARSHIP  
20 PROGRAMS TO INCLUDE VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL  
21 SCHOOLS AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AS  
22 APPROVED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER  
23 EDUCATION.  
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26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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28 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-85-204(3), concerning the definition of  
29 an "approved institution of higher education" under the Arkansas Academic  
30 Challenge Scholarship Program, is amended to read as follows:

31 (3) "Approved institution of higher education" means an  
32 institution of higher education approved by the division to participate in  
33 the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship Program and that is:

34 (A) A state-supported two-year or four-year college or  
35 university;

36 (B) A private, nonprofit two-year or four-year college or



1 university with its primary headquarters located in Arkansas that is eligible  
2 to receive Title IV federal student aid funds; ~~or~~

3 (C) An approved school of nursing, subject to the  
4 provisions of § 6-85-213(c);

5 (D) A public or private vocational-technical school; or

6 (E) A public or private technical institute;

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8 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-85-302(1), concerning the definition of  
9 an "approved institution of higher education" under the Arkansas Workforce  
10 Challenge Scholarship Program, is amended to read as follows:

11 (1) "Approved institution of higher education" means an  
12 institution of higher education approved by the Division of Higher Education  
13 to participate in the Arkansas Workforce Challenge Scholarship Program and  
14 that is:

15 (A) A state-supported two-year or four-year college or  
16 university; ~~or~~

17 (B) A private, nonprofit two-year or four-year college or  
18 university with its primary headquarters located in Arkansas that is eligible  
19 to receive Title IV federal student aid funds;

20 (C) A public or private vocational-technical school; or

21 (D) A public or private technical institute; and

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23 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 6-85-306 is amended to read as follows:

24 6-85-306. Agreements between institutions.

25 An approved institution of higher education may enter into agreements  
26 with other institutions of higher education, ~~including without limitation~~  
27 ~~technical institutes,~~ to allow students enrolled in the approved institution  
28 of higher education under this subchapter to take courses at the other  
29 institutions of higher education.

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31 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 6-85-402(1), concerning the definition of  
32 "approved institution of higher education" under the Arkansas Concurrent  
33 Challenge Scholarship Program, is amended to read as follows:

34 (1) "Approved institution of higher education" means an  
35 institution of higher education that:

36 (A) Is approved by the Division of Higher Education to

1 participate in the Arkansas Concurrent Challenge Scholarship Program;

2 (B) Offers at least a fifty-percent discount on the  
3 tuition and mandatory fees of an endorsed concurrent enrollment course or  
4 certificate program to a student who is enrolled in an endorsed concurrent  
5 enrollment course or certificate program, unless other opportunities are  
6 provided that lower the tuition and mandatory fees below fifty percent (50%);  
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8 (C) Is a:

9 (i) State-supported two-year or four-year college or  
10 university; ~~or~~

11 (ii) Private, nonprofit two-year or four-year  
12 college or university that has its primary headquarters located in Arkansas  
13 and that is eligible to receive Title IV federal student aid funds;

14 (iii) A public or private vocational-technical  
15 school; or

16 (iv) A public or private technical institute;  
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