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A Bill

SENATE BILL 416

5 By: Senators C. Tucker, B. Davis, L. Chesterfield, Irvin
6 By: Representative Evans
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO CREATE THE IMAGINATION LIBRARY OF ARKANSAS
10 PROGRAM; TO CREATE THE IMAGINATION LIBRARY OF
11 ARKANSAS PROGRAM FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO CREATE THE IMAGINATION LIBRARY OF
16 ARKANSAS PROGRAM; AND TO CREATE THE
17 IMAGINATION LIBRARY OF ARKANSAS PROGRAM
18 FUND.
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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 Title 13, Chapter 2, Subchapter 1, is amended
24 to add an additional section to read as follows:

25 13-2-106. Imagination Library of Arkansas Program.

26 (a) There is created the Imagination Library of Arkansas Program.

27 (b) The state program shall promote the development of a comprehensive
28 statewide initiative for encouraging preschool children to develop a love of
29 reading and learning.

30 (c)(1)(A) The Imagination Library of Arkansas Program Fund shall be
31 used to provide, through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, one (1) age-
32 appropriate book to each registered child from birth to age five (5) in each
33 participating county.

34 (B) The state program shall contribute a fifty percent
35 (50%) match of the funds, if available, required of local programs
36 participating in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.



1 (d) Moneys remaining in the fund at the end of each fiscal year shall
2 carry forward and be made available for the purposes stated in this section
3 in the next fiscal year.

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