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To: Local and Private  
Legislation

HOUSE BILL NO. 1724  
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CLARKE COUNTY  
2 TO ESTABLISH A JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR  
3 CERTAIN HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS WHO GRADUATE FROM THE ENTERPRISE  
4 SCHOOL DISTRICT OR THE QUITMAN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT WITH  
5 THE HIGHEST GRADE POINT AVERAGES WHO ATTEND JONES COUNTY JUNIOR  
6 COLLEGE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

8 SECTION 1. The Board of Supervisors of Clarke County, in its  
9 discretion, may establish a junior college district scholarship  
10 program. The program shall be designed to annually award  
11 scholarships to certain graduating high school seniors who attend  
12 Jones County Junior College. In order to qualify for the  
13 scholarship, the student must (a) be a graduate of either the  
14 Enterprise School District or the Quitman Consolidated School  
15 District, (b) have the highest grade point average among all  
16 graduating seniors in his or her class, and (c) attend Jones  
17 County Junior College. Only two (2) scholarships may be awarded  
18 annually, one (1) for each of the two (2) public school districts  
19 in the county. The amount of each scholarship shall not exceed  
20 Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each qualifying student, and  
21 shall be payable out of any available funds of the county directly  
22 to Jones County Junior College. Jones County Junior College, upon  
23 receiving such monies, shall keep a separate account for each  
24 student awarded a scholarship under this program and shall credit  
25 any expenditures for tuition, books or other fees as a charge  
26 against the account. If the senior with the highest grade point  
27 average in his high school does not attend Jones County Junior  
28 College, then the scholarship shall be awarded to the student from

29 that same high school who has the highest grade point average  
30 among all graduating seniors in that high school who does attend  
31 Jones County Junior College. The provisions of this section shall  
32 be repealed from and after July 1, 2004.

33 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
34 and after its passage.