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Natural State Jackpot Reaches 7th Highest in Game's History

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LITTLE ROCK— The jackpot amount for Thursday night's 8:00 *Natural State Jackpot* drawing is now \$255,000, the seventh largest jackpot prize since the game's introduction in August of 2012.

The Arkansas Scholarship Lottery's *Natural State Jackpot* game is played, and won, only in Arkansas. The jackpot prize starts at \$25,000 and increases by \$5,000 every draw until the jackpot is won. The game draws 6 nights a week, Monday through Saturday. Overall odds of winning a prize in the game are 1 in 9. Odds of winning the jackpot are 1 in 575,757.

"The Natural State Jackpot gives players a chance to win big in Arkansas," said Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Director Bishop Woosley, adding, "It's already created winners all around the state."

The game's largest jackpot, \$410,000, was won in Cabot in April of 2014. The second largest jackpot, \$345,000, was won in North Little Rock; the third, \$335,000, in Jacksonville; the fourth, \$310,000, in Dardanelle; the fifth, \$295,000, in both Lepanto and Beebe; and the sixth largest jackpot, \$270,000, was won in Morrilton.

If no one wins tonight's jackpot prize, the amount will increase to \$260,000 for Friday night's *Natural State Jackpot* drawing.

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

More than 92 cents of every dollar of Lottery revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions and other expenses in Arkansas.

Since Lottery sales started in 2009, the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery has provided nearly \$700 million for in-state college scholarships to Arkansas students, nearly \$2 billion in prizes to players and nearly \$175 million in commissions to Lottery retailers.

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