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ARKANSAS MEGA MILLIONS JACKPOT INCREASES TO \$540 MILLION

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LITTLE ROCK – Holiday fireworks continue at the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery. The multi-state Mega Millions® draw game has just increased to a \$540 million jackpot for tomorrow night's drawing. The jackpot has rolled 34 times since March without a top prize winner.

The \$540 million estimated jackpot represents the seventh largest American jackpot in history and the third largest Mega Millions® jackpot in history. Coincidentally, the only two Mega Millions® jackpots won this year were on January 8 and March 8. Could July 8 be next?

About Mega Millions

Mega Millions drawings are held at 10 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday. Sales End at 9:45 p.m. Tuesday and Friday. Each Mega Millions® play is \$1. For an additional \$1, you can purchase the Megaplier® option which increases any non-jackpot prize by 2, 3, 4 or 5 times. The Megaplier number is picked at random before each draw. For example, if you won a second-tier \$1 million prize in Mega Millions, and the Megaplier number drawn was 5, your prize would be \$5 million if you purchased the Megaplier for just \$1 extra.

“Adding the Megaplier actually gives you the best odds at winning multi-millions” said Lottery Director Bishop Woosley. “For an extra dollar, your prize can multiply up to five times.”

Woosley encouraged players of the Arkansas-only jackpot game, Natural State Jackpot, to check their tickets. The \$70,000 jackpot winning ticket in that drawing Wednesday night was sold at the McCain Shell in North Little Rock.

“We also have a Powerball drawing tonight for a \$288 million jackpot,” said Woosley, adding, “We love it when the jackpots are rolling, because it adds up to more proceeds to provide scholarships for Arkansans.”

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

More than 92 cents of every dollar of Arkansas Scholarship Lottery revenue goes to prizes, scholarships and retailer commissions in the state. Since Lottery sales started in 2009, the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery has provided more than \$600 million for in-state college

scholarships to Arkansas students, players have won nearly \$2 billion in prizes and Lottery retailers have earned more than \$170 million in commissions.

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