

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1993**  
4 **By: *Joint Budget Committee***

# **A Bill**

**ACT 650 OF 1993**  
**SENATE BILL 257**

## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
9 EDUCATION - VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION DIVISION  
10 FOR THE PURCHASE AND REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE EXISTING  
11 SECONDARY VOCATIONAL SERVICE CENTERS; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES."

## **Subtitle**

15 "AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - VOCATIONAL AND  
16 TECHNICAL EDUCATION DIVISION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
17 APPROPRIATION."

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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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21 SECTION 1. Many of the existing secondary vocational service centers  
22 originated many years ago with a fifty-fifty match of state and local funds.  
23 With the dramatic upsurge of technology skills required to support tech prep,  
24 High Schools that Work, and Youth Apprenticeship, these facilities are  
25 experiencing a dramatic need for updated equipment. This is not only  
26 necessary to meet the new technology but to continue existing services.

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28 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby  
29 appropriated, to the Department of Education - Vocational and Technical  
30 Education Division, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its  
31 successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

32 (A) For the purchase and repair of equipment for the existing secondary  
33 vocational service centers, the sum of ..... \$750,000.

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35 SECTION 3. FUNDING PROVISION. Of the total funds authorized by this

1 Act, twenty-five percent (25%) shall be distributed equally to the existing  
2 Secondary Vocational Service Centers. The remaining seventy-five percent  
3 (75%) of the funds shall be distributed to the existing Secondary Vocational  
4 Service Centers according to each center's proportional share of the total  
5 Add-On Weights generated the previous year by all existing Secondary  
6 Vocational Service Centers.

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8 SECTION 4. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor  
9 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects  
10 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available  
11 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and  
12 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and  
13 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or  
14 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
15 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
16 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
17 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
18 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
19 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this Act.

20 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State  
21 Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the  
22 Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of this  
23 State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and  
24 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in  
25 disbursement of any funds provided by this Act unless specifically provided  
26 otherwise by law.

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28 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
29 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
30 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which  
31 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
32 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
33 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
34 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
35 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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SECTION 6. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 8. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 9. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Ninth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1993 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1993 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1993.

*/s/Senator Scott*

APPROVED: 3/24/93

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