

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**
4 **By: Joint Budget Committee**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

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 PROVIDING MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE RENOVATION AND REPAIR
11 OF SECONDARY VOCATIONAL SERVICE CENTERS; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES."

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

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16 SECTION 1. Many of the existing secondary vocational service centers
17 were constructed many years ago with a fifty-fifty match of state and local
18 funds. These facilities are experiencing a dramatic need for repair and
19 renovation in such areas as roofing, environmental systems, etc. to protect
20 not only a sizable state investment but also the health and safety of
21 students; therefore, the purpose of this act is to provide funds which can be
22 matched to provide such repair and renovation.

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24 SECTION 2. Existing secondary vocational service centers shall develop
25 a budget and project description of needed repairs and renovation. Such data
26 shall be submitted to the State Board of Vocational Education. The State
27 Board of Vocational Education is authorized to disburse funds appropriated by
28 this act for the purposes stated herein.

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30 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the
31 Department of Education - Vocational and Technical Education Division, to be
32 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
33 accounts, to match local funds on a one to one basis, to be used for repair or
34 renovation or both of secondary vocational education centers the sum of
35 \$750,000.

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

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

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

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

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35 SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the

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

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

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9 SECTION 9. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
10 Seventy-Eighth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of
11 Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year
12 period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1991 is essential to the
13 operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided,
14 and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the
15 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1991 could work irreparable harm
16 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
17 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
18 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
19 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1991.

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