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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

4 **By: Representatives Northcutt, Hunton, Landers, Schexnayder, Arnold, S. Miller, Brownlee,**
5 **J. Wilson, McGee and McGinnis**

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE FUN (FACILITIES FOR
10 UNDERDEVELOPED NEIGHBORHOODS) PARK GRANTS PROGRAM FOR
11 SMALL COMMUNITIES AND RURAL AREAS WITH POPULATIONS OF LESS
12 THAN 2,500 PERSONS; AND FOR OTHER 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. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. The General Assembly recognizes outdoor
17 recreation as an important element to the quality of life in Arkansas.
18 Outdoor recreation is interlocked to the emotional and economic well being of
19 the state's citizens. Therefore, it is the desire of the General Assembly to
20 establish a new outdoor grants program that shall assist small communities and
21 rural areas of Arkansas with outdoor recreational facilities.

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23 SECTION 2. ELEMENTS OF THE GRANTS PROGRAM. There is hereby established
24 the FUN Parks Grants Program to be administered by the Arkansas Department of
25 Parks and Tourism. The purpose of the FUN Parks Program is to provide basic
26 outdoor recreation facilities including baseball and softball fields,
27 basketball courts, picnic tables and pavilions, and playground equipment to
28 residents of small Arkansas communities. The goal of this program is to build
29 200 new outdoor parks statewide in communities of 2,500 or less as established
30 by the 1990 census. Up to 50 new FUN parks may be constructed each year in
31 each of the next four (4) years at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.00 for each
32 FUN park.

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34 SECTION 3. AUTHORIZATION. The Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism
35 is herein authorized to promulgate procedures, rules, guidelines, or

1 regulations necessary for the administration of the FUN Park Grants Program.

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3 SECTION 4. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent
4 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
5 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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7 SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the
8 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such
9 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which
10 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this
11 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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

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