

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
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4 **By: *Joint Budget Committee***

A Bill

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."

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

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.

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

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

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

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

1 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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

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

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/s/Senator Scott

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