

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 84th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2003
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 673

5 By: Senator Steele
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE UNIVERSITY
10 OF ARKANSAS - ARKANSAS ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR A
11 TWO YEAR PILOT PROGRAM TO HELP LOCAL
12 ORGANIZATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS -
16 ARKANSAS ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY GENERAL
17 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - ARKANSAS ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY - TWO YEAR PILOT
24 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas, to be
25 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
26 accounts, the following:

27 (A) For a two (2) year pilot program for the Arkansas Archeological Survey
28 to help local organizations to identify and preserve poorly documented
29 cemeteries in Arkansas where African Americans are interred using
30 archeological and historical research methods, the sum of
31\$200,000.
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33 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
34 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

35 ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY CONTRACT. The Archeological Survey shall contract with
36 the Arkansas Humanities Council to grant funds to local organizations and



1 provide training and assistance in historical research methods and the
2 Arkansas Archeological Survey shall provide assistance in archeological
3 methods, as needed.
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5 SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
6 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

7 LEGISLATIVE PURPOSE. The General Assembly declares that this act is
8 necessary to assist cemetery associations, local community service
9 organizations, churches, families and other interested groups to reclaim,
10 document and preserve poorly maintained cemeteries in Arkansas where African
11 Americans are interred. These sites are invaluable cultural and historical
12 resources for the citizens of Arkansas.
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14 SECTION 4. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
15 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
16 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
17 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
18 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
19 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
20 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
21 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
22 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
23 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
24 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
25 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

26 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State Purchasing
27 Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue
28 Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of this State
29 and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration,
30 as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of any
31 funds provided by this act unless specifically provided otherwise by law.
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33 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
34 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
35 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
36 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations

1 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
2 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
3 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
4 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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6 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
7 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
8 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the
9 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2003 is essential to the operation of
10 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
11 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
12 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2003 could work irreparable harm upon the
13 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
14 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
15 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
16 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2003.

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