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1 State of Arkansas
2 84th General Assembly
3 First Extraordinary Session, 2003
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Call Item 3

A Bill

SENATE BILL 14

5 By: Joint Budget Committee
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL
10 SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE SAU-TECH
11 FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2005; AND
12 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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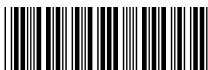
Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE SAU-TECH APPROPRIATION
16 FOR THE 2003-2005 BIENNIUM.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for
23 the SAU-Tech for the 2003-2005 biennium, the following maximum number of
24 regular employees whose salaries shall be governed by the provisions of the
25 Uniform Classification and Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et
26 seq.), or its successor, and all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however,
27 that any position to which a specific maximum annual salary is set out herein
28 in dollars, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Uniform
29 Classification and Compensation Act. All persons occupying positions
30 authorized herein are hereby governed by the provisions of the Regular
31 Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas Code §21-5-101), or its
32 successor.
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34			Maximum Annual
35		Maximum	Salary Rate
36	Item	No. of	Fiscal Years



1	No.	Title	Employees	2003-2004	2004-2005
2		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>			
3		<u>ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS</u>			
4	(1)	Chancellor, SAU-Tech	1	\$113,049	\$115,482
5	(2)	Vice-Chan. for Instruction	1	\$90,225	\$92,338
6	(3)	Vice-Chan. for Finance	1	\$84,492	\$86,497
7	(4)	Vice-Chan. for Student Services	1	\$84,492	\$86,497
8	(5)	Vice-Chan. for Dev. & Ext. Ed.	1	\$79,715	\$81,630
9	(6)	Counselor	2	\$68,500	\$70,202
10	(7)	Registrar	1	\$65,617	\$67,264
11	(8)	Director of Institutional Research	1	\$64,887	\$66,520
12	(9)	Director of Computer Services	1	\$64,318	\$65,940
13	(10)	Director of Distance Learning	1	\$64,317	\$65,939
14	(11)	Director of Student Financial Aid	1	\$63,710	\$65,320
15	(12)	Controller	1	\$62,837	\$64,431
16	(13)	Director of Development	1	\$60,793	\$62,348
17	(14)	Director of Physical Plant	1	\$60,599	\$62,150
18	(15)	Director of Admissions	1	\$59,695	\$61,229
19	(16)	Director of Special Programs	3	\$59,644	\$61,177
20	(17)	Assistant to the Chancellor	1	\$54,153	\$55,582
21	(18)	Dir.of Student Activities/Org.	1	\$53,909	\$55,333
22		<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>			
23		<u>CLASSIFIED POSITIONS</u>			
24	(19)	Accounting Supervisor II	1	GRADE	21
25	(20)	Asst Director of Physical Plant	1	GRADE	19
26	(21)	Accountant	2	GRADE	18
27	(22)	Assistant Registrar	1	GRADE	18
28	(23)	Computer Support Spec I -Inst	1	GRADE	18
29	(24)	Payroll Services Specialist	1	GRADE	18
30	(25)	Personnel Assistant II -Inst	1	GRADE	18
31	(26)	Plant Maintenance Supervisor	1	GRADE	18
32	(27)	Purchasing Agent	1	GRADE	18
33	(28)	Financial Aid Officer II	1	GRADE	18
34	(29)	Applications Programmer I -Inst	1	GRADE	17
35	(30)	Skilled Trades Worker	6	GRADE	17
36	(31)	Computer Technician II -Inst	2	GRADE	16

1	(32)	Financial Aid Officer I	1	GRADE 16		
2	(33)	HE Public Safety Officer I	2	GRADE 16		
3	(34)	Plant Warehouse Assistant Foreman	1	GRADE 16		
4	(35)	Accounting Technician II	2	GRADE 15		
5	(36)	Administrative Assistant I	2	GRADE 15		
6	(37)	Landscape Supervisor I	1	GRADE 15		
7	(38)	Research Assistant	1	GRADE 15		
8	(39)	HE Public Safety Security Officer II	1	GRADE 14		
9	(40)	Personnel Assistant I -Inst	1	GRADE 14		
10	(41)	Administrative Secretary	2	GRADE 14		
11	(42)	Secretary II	8	GRADE 13		
12	(43)	Computer Lab Technician I -Inst	1	GRADE 13		
13	(44)	Library Academic Technician II	2	GRADE 12		
14	(45)	Apprentice Tradesman	1	GRADE 11		
15	(46)	Secretary I	7	GRADE 11		
16	(47)	Clerical Assistant	1	GRADE 10		
17	(48)	Bldg/Equip Maint Repairman II	2	GRADE 8		
18	(49)	Custodial Supervisor II	1	GRADE 8		
19	(50)	Bldg/Equipment Maint Repairman I	1	GRADE 6		
20	(51)	Maintenance Worker II	3	GRADE 5		
21	(52)	Custodial Worker II	3	GRADE 4		
22	<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>					
23	<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>					
24	(53)	Division Chairperson	4	\$78,757	\$80,653	
25	(54)	Librarian	1	\$68,502	\$70,204	
26	<u>NINE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>					
27	<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>					
28	(55)	Faculty	45	\$59,644	\$61,177	
29	(56)	Part-Time Faculty	75	\$14,707	\$15,277	
30	<u>TWELVE MONTH AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES</u>					
31	<u>CLASSIFIED POSITIONS</u>					
32	(57)	Bookstore Manager	1	GRADE 19		
33	(58)	Cashier I	1	GRADE 9		
34	(59)	Custodial Worker II	2	GRADE 4		
35	<u>CAREER ACADEMY</u>					
36	<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>					

1 ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

2	(60) Director, SAUT Career Academy	1	\$59,644	\$61,177
3	(61) Director of Adult Education	1	\$57,003	\$58,486
4	(62) Academic Counselor	1	\$50,308	\$51,664

5 CAREER ACADEMY

6 TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL

7 ACADEMIC POSITIONS

8	(63) Faculty	<u>13</u>	\$59,644	\$61,177
9	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	230		

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 11 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the
 12 SAU-Tech for the 2003-2005 biennium, the following maximum number of part-
 13 time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds
 14 appropriated herein for such purposes: one hundred seventy five (175)
 15 temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed
 16 those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its
 17 successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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 19 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated,
 20 to the SAU-Tech, to be payable from the SAU-Tech Fund, for personal services
 21 and operating expenses of the SAU-Tech for the biennial period ending June
 22 30, 2005, the following:

24	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
25	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2003-2004</u>	<u>2004-2005</u>
26	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 2,800,000	\$ 2,800,000
27	(02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	800,000	800,000
28	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
29	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,015,858	1,015,858
30	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,000	25,000
31	(C) PROF. FEES	0	0
32	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	70,000	70,000
33	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
34	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 4,710,858</u>	<u>\$ 4,710,858</u>

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 36 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH FUNDS. There is hereby appropriated, to

1 the SAU-Tech, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code
 2 19-4-801 of the SAU-Tech, for personal services and operating expenses of the
 3 SAU-Tech for the biennial period ending June 30, 2005, the following:

4 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
5 NO.	2003-2004	2004-2005
6 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 751,972	\$ 902,366
7 (02) EXTRA HELP	273,445	328,134
8 (03) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	597,330	716,796
9 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
10 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,503,944	1,804,733
11 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	92,971	111,565
12 (C) PROF. FEES	47,852	57,422
13 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	136,722	164,066
14 (E) DATA PROC.	0	0
15 (05) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	68,360	82,032
16 (06) DEBT SERVICE	132,740	159,288
17 (07) FUND TRANS/REFUND/INVESTMENTS	265,480	318,576
18 (08) CONTINGENCY	<u>2,129,184</u>	<u>2,555,022</u>
19 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 6,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,200,000</u>

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 21 SECTION 5. REGULAR SALARIES - FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY. There is hereby
 22 established for the SAU-Tech - Fire Training Academy for the 2003-2005
 23 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries
 24 shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and
 25 Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and
 26 all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a
 27 specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt
 28 from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All
 29 persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the
 30 provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas
 31 Code §21-5-101), or its successor.

32		Maximum Annual	
33		Maximum	Salary Rate
34	Item	No. of	Fiscal Years
35	No. Title	Employees	2003-2004 2004-2005
36	<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>		

1	<u>ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS</u>			
2	(1) Director	1	\$73,585	\$75,383
3	(2) Deputy Director	1	\$57,902	\$59,402
4	<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>			
5	<u>CLASSIFIED POSITIONS</u>			
6	(3) Multimedia Specialist	1		GRADE 17
7	(4) Accounting Technician II	1		GRADE 15
8	(5) Administrative Assistant I	1		GRADE 15
9	(6) Admissions Analyst II	1		GRADE 14
10	(7) Secretary II	2		GRADE 13
11	(8) Document Examiner II	2		GRADE 12
12	(9) Secretary I	4		GRADE 11
13	(10) Clerical Assistant	1		GRADE 10
14	(11) Bldg/Equipment Maint Repairman II	1		GRADE 8
15	(12) Custodial Worker II	1		GRADE 4
16	<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>			
17	<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>			
18	(13) Asst. Dir. for Training	1	\$61,341	\$62,906
19	(14) Faculty	23	\$59,644	\$61,177
20	(15) Satellite Center Coordinator	1	\$54,584	\$56,021
21	(16) Part-Time Faculty	<u>25</u>	\$14,707	\$15,277
22	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	67		

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24 SECTION 6. EXTRA HELP - FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY. There is hereby

25 authorized, for the SAU-Tech - Fire Training Academy for the 2003-2005

26 biennium, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees,

27 to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such

28 purposes: fifty five (55) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at

29 rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and

30 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate

31 classification.

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33 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS - FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY. There

34 is hereby appropriated, to the SAU-Tech, to be payable from the SAU-Tech

35 Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the SAU-Tech - Fire

36 Training Academy for the biennial period ending June 30, 2005, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	2003-2004	2004-2005
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 710,898	\$ 710,898
(02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	175,000	175,000
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	319,368	319,368
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	8,546	8,546
(C) PROF. FEES	0	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	21,368	21,368
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,235,180</u>	<u>\$ 1,235,180</u>

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13 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH FUNDS - FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY. There is
 14 hereby appropriated, to the SAU-Tech, to be payable from cash funds as
 15 defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the SAU-Tech, for personal services and
 16 operating expenses of the SAU-Tech - Fire Training Academy for the biennial
 17 period ending June 30, 2005, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	2003-2004	2004-2005
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 239,685	\$ 263,655
(02) EXTRA HELP	51,132	56,245
(03) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	101,786	111,965
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	395,984	435,582
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	58,952	64,847
(C) PROF. FEES	23,270	25,597
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	232,704	255,974
(E) DATA PROC.	0	0
(05) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	38,784	42,662
(06) CONTINGENCY	<u>550,000</u>	<u>605,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,692,297</u>	<u>\$ 1,861,527</u>

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33 SECTION 9. REGULAR SALARIES - ENVIRONMENT CONTROL CENTER. There is hereby
 34 established for the SAU-Tech - Environment Control Center for the 2003-2005
 35 biennium, the following maximum number of regular employees whose salaries
 36 shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Classification and

1 Compensation Act (Arkansas Code §§21-5-201 et seq.), or its successor, and
 2 all laws amendatory thereto. Provided, however, that any position to which a
 3 specific maximum annual salary is set out herein in dollars, shall be exempt
 4 from the provisions of said Uniform Classification and Compensation Act. All
 5 persons occupying positions authorized herein are hereby governed by the
 6 provisions of the Regular Salaries Procedures and Restrictions Act (Arkansas
 7 Code §21-5-101), or its successor.

8			Maximum Annual	
9		Maximum	Salary Rate	
10	Item	No. of	Fiscal Years	
11	No. Title	Employees	2003-2004	2004-2005
12	<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>			
13	<u>ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS</u>			
14	(1) Director	1	\$64,408	\$66,032
15	<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>			
16	<u>CLASSIFIED POSITIONS</u>			
17	(2) Administrative Assistant I	1	GRADE 15	
18	(3) Secretary II	1	GRADE 13	
19	(4) Secretary I	1	GRADE 11	
20	(5) Maintenance Worker I	1	GRADE 4	
21	<u>TWELVE MONTH EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL</u>			
22	<u>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</u>			
23	(6) Faculty	8	\$59,644	\$61,177
24	(7) Part-Time Faculty	<u>12</u>	\$14,707	\$15,277
25	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	25		

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 27 SECTION 10. EXTRA HELP - ENVIRONMENT CONTROL CENTER. There is hereby
 28 authorized, for the SAU-Tech - Environment Control Center for the 2003-2005
 29 biennium, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees,
 30 to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such
 31 purposes: fifty (50) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates
 32 of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and
 33 Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate
 34 classification.

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 36 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - STATE OPERATIONS - ENVIRONMENT CONTROL CENTER.

1 There is hereby appropriated, to the SAU-Tech, to be payable from the SAU-
 2 Tech Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the SAU-Tech -
 3 Environment Control Center for the biennial period ending June 30, 2005, the
 4 following:

5 ITEM	6 FISCAL YEARS	
	7 NO.	8
	2003-2004	2004-2005
7 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 152,789	\$ 152,789
8 (02) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	35,000	35,000
9 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
10 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	82,841	82,841
11 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	8,034	8,034
12 (C) PROF. FEES	0	0
13 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0	0
14 (E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
15 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 278,664</u>	<u>\$ 278,664</u>

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17 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATIONS - CASH FUNDS - ENVIRONMENT CONTROL CENTER.

18 There is hereby appropriated, to the SAU-Tech, to be payable from cash funds
 19 as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the SAU-Tech, for personal services
 20 and operating expenses of the SAU-Tech - Environment Control Center for the
 21 biennial period ending June 30, 2005, the following:

22 ITEM	23 FISCAL YEARS	
	24 NO.	25
	2003-2004	2004-2005
24 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$ 282,388	\$ 310,627
25 (02) EXTRA HELP	56,174	61,791
26 (03) PERSONAL SERV MATCHING	74,392	81,831
27 (04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION		
28 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	286,943	315,637
29 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	58,451	64,296
30 (C) PROF. FEES	12,753	14,028
31 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	98,684	108,552
32 (E) DATA PROC.	0	0
33 (05) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	27,603	30,363
34 (06) CONTINGENCY	<u>92,612</u>	<u>101,875</u>
35 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 990,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,089,000</u>

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SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - CONTINGENCY - SAU TECH. There is hereby appropriated, to the SAU - Tech, to be payable from the SAU - Tech Fund, for personal services and operating expenses which may be transferred and added to any appropriation line item payable from the SAU - Tech Fund by the SAU - Tech for the biennial period ending June 30, 2005, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	2003-2004	2004-2005
(01) CONTINGENCY	\$ <u>1,238,088</u>	\$ <u>1,238,088</u>

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - CONTINGENCY - SAU TECH - FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY. There is hereby appropriated, to the SAU - Tech - Fire Training Academy , to be payable from the SAU - Tech Fund, for personal services and operating expenses which may be transferred and added to any appropriation line item payable from the Sau - Tech Fund by the Sau - Tech - Fire Training Academy for the biennial period ending June 30, 2005, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	2003-2004	2004-2005
(01) CONTINGENCY	\$ <u>331,542</u>	\$ <u>331,542</u>

SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - CONTINGENCY - SAU TECH - ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL CENTER. There is hereby appropriated, to the SAU - Tech - Environmental Control Center , to be payable from the SAU - Tech Fund, for personal services and operating expenses which may be transferred and added to any appropriation line item payable from the SAU- Tech Fund by the SAU-Tech - Environmental Control Center for the biennial period ending June 30, 2005, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEARS	
	2003-2004	2004-2005

1 (01) CONTINGENCY \$ 73,679 \$ 73,679

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3 SECTION 16. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
4 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. DECLARED
5 EMERGENCY - TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS. At any time when the Governor of the
6 State of Arkansas declares that an emergency exists, and the Southern
7 Arkansas University-Tech, Fire Training Academy is required to lend
8 assistance, the Southern Arkansas University-Tech, Fire Training Academy will
9 be authorized to make transfers of appropriation, either General Revenue or
10 Cash, and further, that no such transfer will increase the total amount
11 appropriated for the Southern Arkansas University-Tech, Fire Training
12 Academy.

13 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from ~~July 1, 2001~~
14 July 1, 2003 through ~~June 30, 2003~~ June 30, 2005.

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16 SECTION 17. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
17 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND
18 BALANCES. The Board of Trustees in its official governing capacity charged
19 with the management or control of the institution of higher learning and the
20 President or Chancellor as the Chief Executive shall certify to the Chief
21 Fiscal Officer of the State and the Legislative Council that as of December
22 31 of each year that sufficient appropriations and funds are available, or
23 will become available, to meet all current and anticipated obligations during
24 the fiscal year for the payment of the obligations when they become due.
25 This certification, signed by the Chair of the Board of Trustees and the
26 President or Chancellor will be forwarded by February 28 of each year or upon
27 release of the previous year's audit by Legislative Audit to the Chief Fiscal
28 Officer of the State and the Legislative Council accompanied by the Board
29 approved published annual financial statement for the preceding fiscal year.

30 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003
31 through June 30, 2005.

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33 SECTION 18. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized
34 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds
35 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the
36 restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and

1 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
2 Procedures and Restrictions Act, the Higher Education Expenditures
3 Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this
4 State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of
5 Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied
6 with in disbursement of said funds.

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8 SECTION 19. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
9 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
10 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
11 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
12 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
13 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
14 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
15 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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17 SECTION 20. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
18 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
19 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the
20 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2003 is essential to the operation of
21 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
22 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
23 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2003 could work irreparable harm upon the
24 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
25 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
26 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
27 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2003.