

1 State of Arkansas *As Engrossed: H2/14/12 H2/28/12*

2 88th General Assembly

# A Bill

3 Fiscal Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL 1063

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL

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SERVICES AND OPERATING EXPENSES AND FOR GRANTS

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AND AID TO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SPECIAL

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PROGRAMS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CAREER EDUCATION

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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2013; AND FOR

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OTHER PURPOSES.

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## Subtitle

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AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CAREER

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EDUCATION APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2012-2013

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FISCAL YEAR.

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

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SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES. There is hereby established for the

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Department of Career Education for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, the following

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maximum number of regular employees.

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Maximum Annual

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Salary Rate

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No. of

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No. Code Title

Employees

2012-2013

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(1) U061U ACE DIRECTOR

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\$148,964

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(2) U077U ACE DEPUTY DIR CAREER & TECH ED

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\$108,358

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(3) U065U ACE DEPUTY DIRECTOR

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\$108,357

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(4) U098U DIR GOV COMM ON ADULT LITERACY

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\$74,158

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(5) G010C ACE DIVISION MANAGER

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GRADE C128



1	(6)	A031C	ASSISTANT CONTROLLER	1	GRADE C124
2	(7)	E061C	ACE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	15	GRADE C123
3	(8)	E062C	ACE PROGRAM ADVISOR	33	GRADE C122
4	(9)	R014C	PERSONNEL MANAGER	1	GRADE C121
5	(10)	R019C	BUDGET MANAGER	1	GRADE C120
6	(11)	V007C	PROCUREMENT COORDINATOR	1	GRADE C119
7	(12)	C010C	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR	1	GRADE C118
8	(13)	A074C	FISCAL SUPPORT SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE C118
9	(14)	R025C	HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST	1	GRADE C117
10	(15)	C037C	ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
11	(16)	A091C	FISCAL SUPPORT ANALYST	1	GRADE C115
12	(17)	C056C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST III	8	GRADE C112
13	(18)	A098C	FISCAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST	3	GRADE C112
14	(19)	C073C	ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II	16	GRADE C109
15	(20)	C088C	MAIL SERVICES ASSISTANT	<u>1</u>	GRADE C105
16			MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	93	

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## 18 SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL AND ADULT EDUCATION.

19 There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Career Education -  
 20 Vocational, Technical and Adult Education for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, the  
 21 following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as  
 22 "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes:  
 23 forty-six (46) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay  
 24 not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation  
 25 Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

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## 27 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL AND ADULT EDUCATION.

28 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be  
 29 payable from the Department of Career Education Fund Account, for personal  
 30 services and operating expenses of the Department of Career Education -  
 31 Vocational, Technical and Adult Education for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
 32 2013, the following:

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34	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
35	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
36	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,104,788

1	(02) EXTRA HELP	3,923
2	(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	955,410
3	(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
4	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	884,297
5	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	28,751
6	(C) PROF. FEES	0
7	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
8	(E) DATA PROC.	0
9	(05) APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM	1,611,456
10	(06) MOTOR VEHICLE EDUCATION PROGRAM	<u>2,500</u>
11	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,591,125</u></u>

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13 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - ADULT BASIC EDUCATION. There is hereby  
 14 appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable from the  
 15 Department of Career Education Fund Account, for personal services and  
 16 operating expenses of the Department of Career Education - Adult Basic  
 17 Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

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19	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
20	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
21	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$384,908
22	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	113,619
23	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
24	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	25,000
25	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
26	(C) PROF. FEES	0
27	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
28	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
29	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$523,527</u></u>

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31 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - HIGH-TECH SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAM. There  
 32 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable  
 33 from the Department of Career Education Fund Account, for scholarships of the  
 34 Department of Career Education - High-Tech Scholarship Award Program for the  
 35 fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
(01) SCHOLARSHIPS	<u>\$10,000</u>

SECTION 6. EXTRA HELP - FEDERAL VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL AND ADULT EDUCATION. There is hereby authorized, for the Department of Career Education - Federal Vocational, Technical and Adult Education for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: twenty-seven (27) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL AND ADULT EDUCATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for personal services, operating expenses and grants by the Department of Career Education - Federal Vocational, Technical and Adult Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$801,631
(02) EXTRA HELP	5,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	259,936
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	1,673,936
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	46,175
(C) PROF. FEES	748,350
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(05) VOCATIONAL EDUCATION GRANTS	<u>16,922,876</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$20,457,904</u>

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL ADULT BASIC EDUCATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable

1 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the  
 2 State, for personal services, operating expenses and grants by the Department  
 3 of Career Education - Federal Adult Basic Education for the fiscal year  
 4 ending June 30, 2013, the following:

5	6 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
7	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
8	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$175,289
9	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	52,018
10	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
11	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	77,467
12	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	25,200
13	(C) PROF. FEES	9,000
14	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
15	(E) DATA PROC.	0
16	(04) ADULT BASIC EDUCATION GRANTS	<u>7,149,060</u>
17	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$7,488,034</u></u>

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19 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL VETERANS APPROVING AGENCY. There is  
 20 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable  
 21 from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the  
 22 State, for personal services and operating expenses of the Department of  
 23 Career Education - Federal Veterans Approving Agency for the fiscal year  
 24 ending June 30, 2013, the following:

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26	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
27	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
28	(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$175,237
29	(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	56,819
30	(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
31	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	53,546
32	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	9,623
33	(C) PROF. FEES	600
34	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
35	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
36	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$295,825</u></u>

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SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the Department of Career Education - Federal Equipment and Training for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
(01) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	\$6,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$6,000</u></u>

SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY CRAFT TRAINING PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable from the Arkansas Construction Industry Craft Training Trust Fund, for personal services, operating expenses and grants by the Department of Career Education - Construction Industry Craft Training Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$48,534
(02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	15,151
(03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	12,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	7,500
(C) PROF. FEES	0
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(04) GRANTS TO CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY CRAFT	

1	TRAINING PROGRAM	<u>800,000</u>
2	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$883,185</u></u>

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4 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - ALTERNATIVE RETIREMENT PROGRAM - CASH.

5 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be  
 6 payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801 of the  
 7 Department of Career Education, for personal services and operating expenses  
 8 of the Department of Career Education - Alternative Retirement Program - Cash  
 9 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

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11	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
13	(01) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	\$110,222
14	(02) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
15	(A) OPER. EXPENSE	12,300
16	(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	0
17	(C) PROF. FEES	0
18	(D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
19	(E) DATA PROC.	<u>0</u>
20	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$122,522</u></u>

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22 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - HOUSING CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM. There is  
 23 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable  
 24 from the Building Trades Revolving Fund, for loans to Secondary Area  
 25 Technical Centers or other eligible entities, for the purchase of building  
 26 materials, supplies, and fixtures to be used in the construction of a single  
 27 family dwelling unit or other non-residential building project through the  
 28 Housing Construction Program of the Department of Career Education for the  
 29 fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

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31	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
32	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
33	(01) LOANS	<u><u>\$164,807</u></u>

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35 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - LAW ENFORCEMENT SAFETY OFFICE - CASH.

36 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be

1 payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by  
 2 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for operating expenses of the  
 3 Department of Career Education - Law Enforcement Safety Office - Cash for the  
 4 fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

6 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
7 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
8 (01) LAW ENFORCEMENT SAFETY PROGRAM	<u>\$15,000</u>

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 10 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON ADULT LITERACY.

11 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be  
 12 payable from the Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account,  
 13 for personal services, operating expenses, and grants by the Department of  
 14 Career Education - Governor's Commission on Adult Literacy for the fiscal  
 15 year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

17 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
18 <u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
19 (01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$30,451
20 (02) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	9,534
21 (03) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
22 (A) OPER. EXPENSE	52,242
23 (B) CONF. & TRAVEL	6,005
24 (C) PROF. FEES	0
25 (D) CAP. OUTLAY	0
26 (E) DATA PROC.	0
27 (04) GRANTS TO LITERACY COUNCILS	<u>675,000</u>
28 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$773,232</u>

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 30 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - ADULT BASIC AND GENERAL ADULT EDUCATION.

31 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be  
 32 payable from the Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account,  
 33 for Adult Basic and General Adult Education grants and aid by the Department  
 34 of Career Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

36 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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1	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
2	(01) ADULT BASIC & GENERAL ADULT EDUCATION	<u>\$19,860,569</u>

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4 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - COORDINATED CAREER EDUCATION SERVICES.

5 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be

6 payable from the Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account,

7 for Coordinated Career Education Services - Special Needs Students Program

8 grants and aid by the Department of Career Education for the fiscal year

9 ending June 30, 2013, the following:

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11	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
12	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
13	(01) COORDINATED CAREER EDUCATION	
14	SERVICES-SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS	
15	PROGRAM GRANTS & AID	<u>\$1,119,433</u>
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17 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - VOCATIONAL CENTER AID. There is hereby

18 appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable from the

19 Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account, for Vocational

20 Center grants and aid by the Department of Career Education - Vocational

21 Center Aid for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

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23	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
24	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
25	(01) VOCATIONAL CENTER GRANTS AND AID	<u>\$20,136,383</u>
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27 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - VOCATIONAL START-UP GRANTS AND AID. There

28 is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Career Education, to be payable

29 from the Department of Career Education Public School Fund Account, for

30 Vocational Start-Up grants and aid by the Department of Career Education for

31 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the following:

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33	ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
34	<u>NO.</u>	<u>2012-2013</u>
35	(01) VOCATIONAL START-UP GRANTS AND AID	<u>\$2,370,000</u>
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1 SECTION 20. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
2 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FEDERAL  
3 MATCHING. The funds appropriated in Sections for Adult Basic and General  
4 Adult Education, Coordinated Career Education Services, Vocational Center Aid  
5 and Vocational Start-up Grants and Aid of this Act may also be used to match  
6 any available federal funds from any agency in order to provide the maximum  
7 amount of money possible for the purposes enumerated in such section.

8 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,  
9 ~~2010~~ 2012 through June 30, ~~2011~~ 2013.

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11 SECTION 21. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
12 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

13 VOCATIONAL START-UP. The funds and appropriations contained herein for  
14 Vocational Start-Up shall be allocated in accordance with rules and  
15 regulations established by the State Board of Career Education, after the  
16 rules and regulations have undergone a prior review by the Administrative  
17 Rules and Regulations Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
18 Joint Budget Committee.

19 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,  
20 ~~2010~~ 2012 through June 30, ~~2011~~ 2013.

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22 SECTION 22. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
23 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

24 EDUCATIONAL TRAINING/RETRAINING. Of the funds and appropriation authorized by  
25 Item (01) in the section of this Act for Adult Basic and General Adult  
26 Education, a sum of \$300,000 each fiscal year shall be made available to  
27 eligible entities approved by the State Board of Career Education, in order  
28 to expand the vocational education and training opportunities available to  
29 area citizens in need of adult educational training or retraining due to  
30 changing technology.

31 Further, if the appropriation is not fully funded due to a decrease in  
32 the official revenue forecast or the available carryover balance of the  
33 Department of Workforce Education Public School Fund Account, the Department  
34 of Career Education may reduce proportionally the amount made available to  
35 eligible entities approved by the State Board of Career Education in order to  
36 expand the vocational education and training opportunities to area citizens

1 in need of adult educational training or retraining due to changing  
2 technology.

3 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,  
4 ~~2010~~ 2012 through June 30, ~~2011~~ 2013.

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6 SECTION 23. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
7 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. ADULT  
8 EDUCATION DISTRIBUTION. All funds that become available for Adult Education  
9 shall be distributed to those administrative units determined to be operating  
10 efficient and effective adult education programs, under criteria established  
11 by the State Board of Career Education. The criteria shall include the  
12 relative efficiency of administration of the program in the counties served  
13 and achievement of federal performance indicators. The State Board of Career  
14 Education shall promulgate rules and regulations for the distribution of  
15 funds in accordance with criteria to be determined by the Board. In the  
16 distribution of funds to local units the Board shall consider performance in  
17 meeting state and federal performance indicators. Unallocated funds will be  
18 redistributed based upon need as determined by the State Board of Career  
19 Education.

20 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1,  
21 ~~2010~~ 2012 through June 30, ~~2011~~ 2013.

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23 SECTION 24. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
24 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER  
25 OF FUNDS – PROMOTIONAL ITEMS. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall  
26 establish, upon request from the Department of Career Education, a special  
27 appropriation line item to be used in the acquisition of promotional items.  
28 When the Department of Career Education wishes to transfer monies from its  
29 operating expenses appropriation to the Promotional Items line, the State  
30 Board of Career Education shall approve the request and forward it after  
31 receiving prior review and approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
32 Joint Budget Committee, to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State for  
33 processing.

34 Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of  
35 appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year  
36 is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by

1 delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and  
2 the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by  
3 amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly  
4 has determined that the Department of Career Education may operate more  
5 efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Department of Career  
6 Education authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both  
7 necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by  
8 requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee  
9 as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative  
10 Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section.  
11 If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget  
12 Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction,  
13 this entire section is void.

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15 *SECTION 25. SPECIAL LANGUAGE NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS*  
16 *CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. SECONDARY*  
17 *TECHNICAL CENTER AID PROVISIONS.*

18 *(a)(1) Secondary technical center aid shall be calculated and*  
19 *distributed by the Department of Career Education based upon each secondary*  
20 *technical center's eligible student full-time equivalent count.*

21 *(2) Secondary technical center aid shall not be based upon the*  
22 *percentage of total enrollment from any one sending school.*

23 *(b) This section expires on June 30, 2013.*

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25 *SECTION 26. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS.* Disbursement of funds  
26 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
27 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
28 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
29 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
30 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
31 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
32 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
33 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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35 *SECTION 27. LEGISLATIVE INTENT.* It is the intent of the General  
36 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
37 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for

1 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
2 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
3 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
4 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
5 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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7 SECTION 28. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the  
8 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits  
9 the appropriation of funds for more than one (1) year period; that the  
10 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2012 is essential to the operation of  
11 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided; with the  
12 exception that SECTION 25 in this Act shall be in full force and effect from  
13 and after the date of its passage and approval, and that in the event of an  
14 extension of the legislative session, the delay in the effective date of this  
15 Act beyond July 1, 2012, could work irreparable harm upon the proper  
16 administration and provision of essential governmental programs, with the  
17 exception that SECTION 25 in this Act shall be in full force and effect from  
18 and after the date of its passage and approval. Therefore, an emergency is  
19 hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate  
20 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall be in full force  
21 and effect from and after July 1, 2012; with the exception that SECTION 25 in  
22 this Act shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its  
23 passage and approval.

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25 /s/ Joint Budget Committee  
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