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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1345

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

8 AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL
9 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
10 RURAL SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL
15 SERVICES REAPPROPRIATION.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. REAPPROPRIATION - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. There is
21 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Rural Services, to be payable from
22 the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, for the
23 Department of Rural Services the following:

24 (A) Effective July 1, 2013, the balance of the appropriation provided
25 in Item (B) Section 1 of Act 14 of 2012, for grants to counties,
26 municipalities, or subdivisions thereof, or other eligible entities for
27 operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and maintenance
28 expenses for African American cemeteries, in a sum not to exceed
29\$9,857.

30 (B) Effective July 1, 2013, the balance of the appropriation provided
31 in Item (A) Section 19 of Act 14 of 2012, for grants to enhance recycling
32 efforts in rural areas, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,857.

33 (C) Effective July 1, 2013, the balance of the appropriation provided
34 in Item (A) Section 7 of Act 14 of 2012, for grants to counties,
35 municipalities, or subdivisions thereof, or other eligible entities for
36 operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and maintenance



1 expenses associated with public buildings, community centers, memorials,
2 parks, amphitheatres, recreation centers, and cemeteries, in a sum not to
3 exceed.....\$9,875,000.

4 (D) Effective July 1, 2013, the balance of the appropriation provided
5 in Item (A) Section 34 of Act 14 of 2012, for grants to county libraries for
6 acquisition, construction, improvements, equipment, and renovation associated
7 with the provision of library services, in a sum not to exceed
8\$2,000,000.

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10 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
11 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
12 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
13 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
14 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
15 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
16 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
17 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
18 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
19 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
20 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
21 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

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29 SECTION 3. 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
32 which 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
36 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2013 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2013 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2013.