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.

Act 1007 of the Regular Session

State of Arkansas
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 479

By: Senators Bryles, Broadway, Elliott, D. Johnson, Salmon

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY FOR A GRANT FOR PERSONAL SERVICES, OPERATING EXPENSES, PROFESSIONAL FEES, AND PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ARKANSAS HISTORY AND CULTURE PROJECT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY - ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ARKANSAS HISTORY AND CULTURE PROJECT GRANT - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ARKANSAS HISTORY AND CULTURE PROJECT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education - Arkansas State Library, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For a grant for personal services, operating expenses, professional fees and purchase of equipment for the Encyclopedia of Arkansas History and Culture Project, the sum of .................................$150,000.

SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. The appropriations authorized in this Act shall not be restricted by requirements that may be applicable to other programs currently administered. New rules and regulations may be adopted to carry out the intent of the General Assembly regarding the appropriations authorized in this Act.

SECTION 3. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

SECTION 5. 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, 2009 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 Regular Session, the delay in the effective
date of this Act beyond July 1, 2009 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, 2009.

APPROVED: 4/7/2009