

1 State of Arkansas
2 91st General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2017
4

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1702

5 By: Representative Love
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR GRANTS TO
9 HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES TO
10 PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS TO OFFENDERS WHO ARE
11 RECENTLY RELEASED OR SOON-TO-BE RELEASED FROM
12 INCARCERATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
13 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018; AND FOR
14 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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18 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER
19 EDUCATION - GRANTS TO HISTORICALLY BLACK
20 COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES APPROPRIATION
21 FOR THE 2017-2018 FISCAL YEAR.
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - OFFENDER EDUCATION RE-ENTRY GRANT PROGRAM.

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27 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Higher Education, to be
28 payable from the Department of Higher Education Fund Account, for grants to
29 historically black colleges and universities to provide educational programs
30 to offenders who are recently released or soon-to-be released from
31 incarceration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:
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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>

35 (01) GRANTS TO HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES
36 AND UNIVERSITIES TO PROVIDE



1 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS TO
 2 OFFENDERS WHO ARE RECENTLY
 3 RELEASED OR SOON-TO-BE RELEASED
 4 FROM INCARCERATION \$500,000

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 6 SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
 7 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
 8 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
 9 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 10 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 11 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
 12 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
 13 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
 14 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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 16 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
 17 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
 18 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
 19 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
 20 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
 21 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
 22 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
 23 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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 25 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
 26 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
 27 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
 28 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2017 is essential to the operation of
 29 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
 30 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
 31 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2017 could work irreparable harm
 32 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
 33 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
 34 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
 35 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2017.