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A Bill

SENATE BILL 477

5 By: Senator Teague
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE INSTITUTIONS
9 OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR GENERAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS;
10 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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13 AN ACT FOR THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
14 EDUCATION GENERAL IMPROVEMENT
15 APPROPRIATION.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - SAU-TECH. There is hereby appropriated, to
22 the SAU-Tech, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its
23 successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

24 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
25 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
26 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
27 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

28 (B) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
29 equipment, security enhancements, and technology upgrades/equipment of the
30 Arkansas Environmental Training Academy, in a sum not to exceed
31\$5,000,000.

32 (C) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
33 equipment, security enhancements, and technology upgrades/equipment of the
34 Arkansas Fire Training Academy, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

35 (D) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
36 equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment and



1 furnishings for the Administration and Business Buildings, in a sum not to
2 exceed.....\$5,000,000.

3 (E) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
4 equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment and
5 furnishings for the Auto Body Shop Building, in a sum not to exceed
6\$5,000,000.

7 (F) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
8 equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment and library
9 resources of the Arkansas Environmental Training Academy, in a sum not to
10 exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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12 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - BEEBE. There is
13 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University - Beebe, to be payable
14 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
15 following:

16 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
17 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
18 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
19 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

20 (B) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
21 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
22 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
23 supplies and library resources of the ASU - Heber Springs Campus, in a sum
24 not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

25 (C) for construction, renovation, equipment, maintenance, personal
26 services, and operating expenses of an Information Technology Data Center, in
27 a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

28 (D) for construction, renovation, equipment, maintenance, personal
29 services, and operating expenses of the State Hall Administration Building,
30 in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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32 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - MOUNTAIN
33 HOME. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University -
34 Mountain Home, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its
35 successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

36 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,

1 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
2 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
3 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.
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5 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - NEWPORT. There
6 is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University - Newport, to be
7 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
8 accounts, the following:

9 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
10 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
11 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
12 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

13 (B) for construction, operations, renovation, maintenance, equipment,
14 and technology upgrades/equipment of a Workforce Education Program facility,
15 in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

16 (C) for construction, operations, renovation, maintenance, equipment,
17 and technology upgrades/equipment of the Workforce Education Program facility
18 at the Jonesboro Campus, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.
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20 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT
21 HOPE. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas Community
22 College at Hope, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its
23 successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

24 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
25 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
26 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
27 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

28 (B) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
29 equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment and library
30 resources for the University of Arkansas Community College at Hope -
31 Texarkana Campus, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.
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33 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT
34 BATESVILLE. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas
35 Community College at Batesville, to be payable from the General Improvement
36 Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

1 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
2 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
3 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
4 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

5 (B) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
6 equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment and library
7 resources of the Career and Workforce Development Center, in a sum not to
8 exceed.....\$10,000,000.

9 (C) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
10 equipment, security enhancements/lighting, and technology upgrades/equipment
11 of a parking lot and the Nursing and Allied Health Building, in a sum not to
12 exceed.....\$5,000,000.

13 (D) for maintenance and stabilization of the vehicular bridge near the
14 center of campus, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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16 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE. There is
17 hereby appropriated, to the East Arkansas Community College, to be payable
18 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
19 following:

20 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
21 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
22 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
23 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

24 (B) for campus energy management and environmental control system for
25 improvements, enhancements, equipment, renovation, maintenance and upgrades,
26 in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

27 (C) for construction, maintenance, equipment, security enhancements and
28 technology upgrades/equipment of a Workforce Training Facility, in a sum not
29 to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

30 (D) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
31 equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment, library
32 resources and classrooms in the Cross County Technology Center, in a sum not
33 to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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35 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATION - NATIONAL PARK COLLEGE. There is hereby
36 appropriated, to the National Park College, to be payable from the General

1 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

2 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
3 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
4 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
5 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.
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7 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - MID-SOUTH.

8 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University - Mid-South,
9 to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
10 accounts, the following:

11 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
12 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
13 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
14 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

15 (B) for construction, personal services, operations, renovation,
16 maintenance, critical maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, and
17 technology upgrades/equipment of a kitchen incubator facility, in a sum not
18 to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

19 (C) for construction, personal services, operations, renovation,
20 maintenance, critical maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, and
21 technology upgrades/equipment of a KWEM Radio Station, in a sum not to exceed
22\$5,000,000.

23 (D) for construction, personal services, operations, renovation,
24 maintenance, critical maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, and
25 technology upgrades/equipment of a Welding Annex facility, in a sum not to
26 exceed.....\$5,000,000.
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28 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - MID-SOUTH -

29 ARKANSAS DELTA TRAINING AND EDUCATION CONSORTIUM. There is hereby
30 appropriated, to the Arkansas State University - Mid-South - Arkansas Delta
31 Training and Education Consortium, to be payable from the General Improvement
32 Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

33 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
34 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
35 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
36 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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SECTION 11. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS NORTHEASTERN COLLEGE. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Northeastern College, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance, deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training, supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - NORTH ARKANSAS COLLEGE. There is hereby appropriated, to the North Arkansas College, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance, deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training, supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

SECTION 13. APPROPRIATION - PHILLIPS COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Phillips Community College of the University of Arkansas, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance, deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training, supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

(B) for roof repair and/or replacement and for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements to various buildings, in a sum not to exceed.....\$1,380,000.

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT RICH MOUNTAIN. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas Community College at Rich Mountain, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,

1 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
2 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
3 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

4 (B) for improvements, enhancements, equipment, renovations and
5 maintenance of the University of Arkansas Community College at Rich Mountain
6 off-campus site located in Waldron, Arkansas, in a sum not to
7 exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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9 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION - SOUTH ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE. There is
10 hereby appropriated, to the South Arkansas Community College, to be payable
11 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
12 following:

13 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
14 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
15 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
16 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

17 (B) for construction, renovation, personal services, operating
18 expenses, purchase of equipment, including instructional equipment, and major
19 maintenance, in a sum not to exceed.....\$800,000.

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21 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATION - NORTHWEST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE.
22 There is hereby appropriated, to the Northwest Arkansas Community College, to
23 be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
24 accounts, the following:

25 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
26 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
27 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
28 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

29 (B) for expenses, including planning and architectural services,
30 personal services, maintenance, operations, renovation, equipment,
31 construction, improvement, and acquisition, for the Washington County Center
32 at Springdale, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

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34 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATION - BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE. There is
35 hereby appropriated, to the Black River Technical College, to be payable from
36 the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the

1 following:

2 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
3 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
4 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
5 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

6 (B) for construction of a training skid pad for the Law Enforcement
7 Training Academy (LETA), in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

8 (C) for expansion of the Paragould Campus Building, in a sum not to
9 exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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11 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATION - COSSATOT COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF THE
12 UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Cossatot
13 Community College of the University of Arkansas, to be payable from the
14 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
15 following:

16 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
17 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
18 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
19 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

20 (B) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
21 equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment and library
22 resources of the De Queen Campus and Ashdown Campus, in a sum not to exceed
23\$5,000,000.

24 (C) for necessary equipment to effectively maintain standards in all
25 medical programs, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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27 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATION - COLLEGE OF THE OUACHITAS. There is hereby
28 appropriated, to the College of The Ouachitas, to be payable from the General
29 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

30 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
31 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
32 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
33 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

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35 SECTION 20. APPROPRIATION - OZARKA COLLEGE. There is hereby
36 appropriated, to the Ozarka College, to be payable from the General

1 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

2 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
3 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
4 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
5 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

6 (B) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
7 equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment and library
8 resources of a Fulton County Education Center, in a sum not to exceed
9\$5,000,000.

10 (C) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
11 equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment and library
12 resources of a Health and Fitness Center, in a sum not to exceed
13\$5,000,000.

14 (D) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
15 equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment and library
16 resources of an Information Technology Center and Student Center, in a sum
17 not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

18 (E) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
19 equipment, security enhancements, technology upgrades/equipment, paving
20 projects, lighting projects and library resources of the Mammoth Spring
21 campus, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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23 SECTION 21. APPROPRIATION - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT
24 MORRILTON. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas
25 Community College at Morrilton, to be payable from the General Improvement
26 Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

27 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
28 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
29 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
30 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

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32 SECTION 22. APPROPRIATION - SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS COLLEGE. There is
33 hereby appropriated, to the Southeast Arkansas College, to be payable from
34 the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
35 following:

36 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,

1 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
2 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
3 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.
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5 SECTION 23. APPROPRIATION - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - PULASKI TECHNICAL
6 COLLEGE. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas -
7 Pulaski Technical College, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or
8 its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

9 (A) for construction, renovation, maintenance, critical maintenance,
10 deferred maintenance, equipment, security enhancements, technology
11 upgrades/equipment, purchase of land or facilities, improvement, training,
12 supplies and library resources, in a sum not to exceed.....\$10,000,000.

13 (B) for automotive trainers equipment and maintenance, and the purchase
14 of training automobiles, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

15 (C) for literacy services, tutoring and adult education programs, in a
16 sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

17 (D) for personal services, operating expenses and maintenance of the
18 Student Success Center, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

19 (E) for repair, renovation and maintenance of the Welding Technology
20 Center, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.
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22 SECTION 24. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
23 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
24 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
25 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
26 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
27 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
28 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
29 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
30 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
31 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
32 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
33 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

34 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State
35 Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the
36 Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of

1 this State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and
2 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in
3 disbursement of any funds provided by this act unless specifically provided
4 otherwise by law.

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6 SECTION 25. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
7 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
8 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
9 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
10 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
11 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
12 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
13 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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