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1 State of Arkansas
2 94th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2023
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1508

5 By: Representative Ladyman
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF
9 VARIOUS EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH -
10 ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
11 ENDING JUNE 30, 2023; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

13 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH -
14 ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY -
15 EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT APPROPRIATION FOR
16 THE 2022-2023 FISCAL YEAR.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT. There is hereby
23 appropriated, to the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy,
24 to be payable from the federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal
25 Officer of the State, *the establishment of a statewide grant program of*
26 the Department of Health - Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy for the fiscal
27 year ending June 30, 2023, the following:
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29 ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
30 NO.	2022-2023
31 (01) STATEWIDE GRANT PROGRAM	<u>\$8,000,000</u>

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33 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE
34 ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY
35 LAW. ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY GRANTS. The Arkansas State
36 Board of Pharmacy is hereby authorized to establish a statewide grant



1 program for the reimbursement of various expenses borne by pharmacies
 2 who experienced significant financial and economic burden in
 3 responding to the coronavirus (COVID-19) epidemic. These
 4 discretionary grants shall be available to 501(c)(3) Arkansas
 5 foundations that have healthcare professionals on their board, and
 6 that provide for the support of pharmacists as partners in integrated
 7 healthcare who are engaged in patient care management and medication
 8 care services. Grants shall be expended from monies authorized herein
 9 and used exclusively for the reimbursement of various expenses borne
 10 by pharmacies to safeguard the health and well-being of every
 11 Arkansan. Grants provided under this section are contingent on the
 12 availability of funding.

13 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July
 14 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

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 16 SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
 17 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
 18 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
 19 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 20 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 21 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
 22 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
 23 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
 24 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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 35 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the

1 General Assembly, that funds provided by the General Assembly for the
 2 operations of the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy are, due to unforeseen
 3 circumstances, insufficient for the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy to
 4 continue to provide essential governmental services; that the provisions of
 5 this act will provide the necessary monies for the Arkansas State Board of
 6 Pharmacy to continue such services; and that a delay in the effective date of
 7 this Act could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and
 8 provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is
 9 hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate
 10 preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force
 11 and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

12 If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall
 13 become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the
 14 Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the
 15 veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house
 16 overrides the veto

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SENATE BILL 328

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5 By: Senators L. Chesterfield, S. Flowers, F. Love, R. Murdock
6 By: Representatives Scott, F. Allen, Ennett, K. Ferguson, V. Flowers, Nicks, J. Richardson, T. Shephard,
7 Springer

For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PHILANDER SMITH
11 COLLEGE - HEALTH PROGRAMS EXPANSION GRANTS FOR THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER
13 EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024;
14 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

18 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -
19 DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION - PHILANDER
20 SMITH COLLEGE - HEALTH PROGRAM EXPANSION
21 GRANTS APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024
22 FISCAL YEAR.

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

27 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE - HEALTH PROGRAM
28 EXPANSION GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
29 Education - Division of Higher Education, to be payable from the Higher
30 Education Grants Fund Account, the following:

31 (A) for a grant to Philander Smith College for expenses related to the
32 creation of a Certified Nursing Assistant and Licensed Practical Nursing
33 Program, for the expansion of the Elders Community Health Clinic, and the
34 expansion of the Philander Smith College Food Pantry, in a sum not to exceed
35\$5,000,000.
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1 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
2 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUNDING
3 TRANSFER. Immediately upon the effective date of this act, the Chief Fiscal
4 Officer of the State shall transfer on his or her books and those of the
5 State Treasurer and Auditor of the State the sum of five million dollars
6 (\$5,000,000) from the General Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund to the Higher
7 Education Grants Fund for a grant to Philander Smith College for the creation
8 of a Certified Nursing Assistant and Licensed Practical Nurse Program, the
9 expansion of the Elders Community Health Clinic, and the expansion of the
10 Philander Smith College Food Pantry as appropriated by this act.

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12 SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
13 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
14 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
15 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
16 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
17 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
18 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
19 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
20 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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31 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
32 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
33 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
34 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2023 is essential to the operation of
35 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
36 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the

1 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2023 could work irreparable harm
2 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
3 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
4 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
5 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2023.

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10 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR HISTORICALLY
11 BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES GRANTS AND EXPENSES
12 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER
13 EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024;
14 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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18 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -
19 DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION -
20 HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND
21 UNIVERSITIES GRANTS AND EXPENSES
22 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL
23 YEAR.
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26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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28 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
29 GRANTS AND EXPENSES. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
30 Education - Division of Higher Education, to be payable from the Higher
31 Education Grants Fund Account, the following:

32 (A) for grants for scholarships to Historically Black Colleges and
33 Universities and for personal services and operating expenses as determined
34 by the Division of Higher Education for outreach programs to promote
35 awareness of those scholarships, in a sum not to exceed\$4,000,000.
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3 TRANSFER. Immediately upon the effective date of this act, the Chief Fiscal
4 Officer of the State shall transfer on his or her books and those of the
5 State Treasurer and Auditor of the State the sum of four million dollars
6 (\$4,000,000) from the General Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund to the Higher
7 Education Grants Fund Account for the payment of grants to and for
8 Historically Black Colleges and Universities as appropriated by this act.
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11 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
12 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
13 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
14 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
15 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
16 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
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35 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2023 could work irreparable harm
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10 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR ARKANSAS BAPTIST
11 COLLEGE - COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE (CDL) TRAINING
12 PROGRAM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DIVISION OF
13 HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30,
14 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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19 DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION - ARKANSAS
20 BAPTIST COLLEGE - CDL TRAINING PROGRAM
21 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS BAPTIST COLLEGE - CDL TRAINING
28 PROGRAM. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education -
29 Division of Higher Education, to be payable from the Higher Education Grants
30 Fund Account, the following:

31 (A) for a grant to Arkansas Baptist College for expenses related to the
32 establishment and operation of a Commercial Driver's License Training
33 Program, in a sum not to exceed\$1,000,000.
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4 (\$1,000,000) from the General Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund to the Higher
5 Education Grants Fund Account for a grant to Arkansas Baptist College for the
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7 as appropriated by this act.

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