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1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**

A BILL ACT 285 OF 1991
HOUSE BILL 1462

4 **By: Representatives M. Wilson, Givens, and D. Wood**

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND
9 TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT TO SELL AND CONVEY TO THE CITY
10 OF JACKSONVILLE A PORTION OF SURPLUS LANDS NO LONGER
11 NEEDED FOR STATE HIGHWAY PURPOSES LOCATED IN THE CITY OF
12 JACKSONVILLE FOR USE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MUNICIPAL
13 COMPLEX FOR SAID CITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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15 WHEREAS, in a conveyance dated October 17, 1947, the State Highway
16 Department acquired from the War Assets Administration certain properties now
17 located in the city of Jacksonville, Arkansas, which have been used by the
18 State Highway Department for equipment storage and repair; and

19 WHEREAS, these properties were initially acquired for United States
20 Government use in connection with the Jacksonville Ordinance Plant during
21 World War II, and were deeded to the State Highway Department at a nominal
22 cost upon conclusion of the wartime emergency; and

23 WHEREAS, the Highway Department has determined that said lands are no
24 longer needed for State highway purposes; and

25 WHEREAS, Act 480 of 1987 authorized the Highway Department to transfer a
26 portion of such property to the city of Jacksonville to be used for a
27 municipal complex and that portion was subsequently transferred to the city of
28 Jacksonville; and

29 WHEREAS, the remainder of such properties is needed by the city of
30 Jacksonville to be used for municipal purposes and it would be in the public
31 interest that said properties, which were initially acquired for governmental
32 purposes, continue to be used for governmental purposes benefitting the city
33 of Jacksonville,

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35 NOW THEREFORE,

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

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2 SECTION 1. The State Highway and Transportation Commission is hereby
3 authorized and directed to convey to the city of Jacksonville, to be used for
4 municipal purposes the remainder of lands belonging to the State Highway
5 Department within the city of Jacksonville, which the Highway Department
6 acquired from the War Assets Administration following World War II, upon
7 *payment therefor by the City of Jacksonville of Ninety Nine Thousand Nine*
8 *Hundred Dollars (\$99,900.00)*. The instrument conveying title to said lands to
9 the city of Jacksonville shall provide that said lands shall be used by the
10 city of Jacksonville exclusively for municipal purposes and that if said lands
11 cease to be used for such purpose by the city of Jacksonville, title thereto
12 shall revert to the State Highway Department.

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14 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
15 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
16 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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18 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
19 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
20 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
21 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
22 act are declared to be severable.

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24 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
25 hereby repealed.

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27 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General
28 Assembly that the State Highway Department has determined that certain lands
29 belonging to the State Highway Department in the city of Jacksonville, which
30 were acquired from the War Assets Administration, are no longer needed for
31 State highway purposes, and that said lands are needed by the city of
32 Jacksonville for municipal purposes benefitting the city of Jacksonville, and
33 that the immediate passage of this act is necessary to enable the State
34 Highway Commission to sell said lands to the city of Jacksonville in
35 accordance with terms provided herein thereby permitting the city of
36 Jacksonville to proceed with the development of the said lands without undue

1 delay. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being
2 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be
3 in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

4 /s/ M. Wilson et al

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6 APPROVED: 2-28-91

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