

*As Engrossed: 2/27/91*

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **78th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1991**  
4 **By: Rep. Mahony**

**A BILL ACT 358 OF 1991**  
**HOUSE BILL 1290**

**For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE GRANTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DEFRAY  
9 EXPENSES OF THE ODYSSEY OF THE MIND NATIONAL COMPETITION  
10 BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - GENERAL EDUCATION  
11 DIVISION FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1993; AND  
12 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

13  
14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

15  
16 SECTION 1. The Department of Education - General Education Division is  
17 hereby authorized to provide grants to school districts, up to a maximum of  
18 \$14,000 each fiscal year of the 1991-93 biennium from funds which may be  
19 appropriated for maintenance and general operations of the Department of  
20 Education - General Education Division. Such grants are to be divided equally  
21 and shall be for the purpose of defraying partial expenses of the Odyssey of  
22 the Mind National Competition.

23  
24 SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
25 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
26 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
27 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and  
28 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
29 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control  
30 laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the  
31 Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
32 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

33  
34 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
35 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
36 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which

**HOUSEB 1290**

1 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
2 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
3 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
4 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
5 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

6

7 SECTION 4. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent  
8 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas  
9 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

10

11 SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the  
12 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such  
13 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which  
14 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this  
15 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

16

17 SECTION 6. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict  
18 with this Act are hereby repealed.

19

20 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the  
21 Seventy-Eighth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of  
22 Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year  
23 period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1991 is essential to the  
24 operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided,  
25 and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the  
26 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1991 could work irreparable harm  
27 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental  
28 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act  
29 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
30 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1991.

31

32 /s/J. Mahony

33

34 APPROVED: 3-5-91

35