

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **80th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1995**
4 **By: *Joint Budget Committee***

A Bill

ACT 1069 OF 1995
SENATE BILL 769

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR GRANTS FOR THE
9 DEVELOPMENT OF A STATEWIDE DISTANCE LEARNING OR
10 TELEMEDICINE NETWORK FOR THE *DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND*
11 *ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER* FOR THE BIENNIAL
12 PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1997; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

15 "AN ACT FOR THE *DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE*
16 *AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER*
17 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 1995-97 BIENNIUM."

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

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21 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the
22 *Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer*, to be payable
23 from the Telecommunications and Information Technology Fund, for grants to
24 public and/or non-profit entities for the development of a statewide distance
25 learning or telemedicine network for the biennial period ending June 30, 1997,
26 the sum of \$2,000,000.

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28 SECTION 2. Upon the direction of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,
29 on July 1, 1995 or as soon thereafter as possible, the Department of Finance
30 and Administration shall transfer funds as may be available from the General
31 Improvement Fund to the Telecommunications and Information Technology Fund.
32 The amount to be transferred shall be the smaller of \$2,000,000 or the amount
33 of monies transferred from the Department of Human Services Fund to the
34 General Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund from balances accruing during the
35 fiscal year ending June 30, 1995.

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1 SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
2 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
3 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
4 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and
5 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
6 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control
7 laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the
8 Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
9 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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11 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
12 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
13 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which
14 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
15 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
16 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
17 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
18 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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20 SECTION 5. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent
21 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
22 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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24 SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the
25 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such
26 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which
27 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this
28 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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30 SECTION 7. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict
31 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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33 SECTION 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
34 Eightieth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas
35 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that

1 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1995 is essential to the operation of
2 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
3 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
4 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1995 could work irreparable harm upon the
5 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
6 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
7 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
8 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1995.

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