

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

A Bill

ACT 579 OF 1995
HOUSE BILL 1745

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PROVIDING LOANS TO
9 INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF
10 PURCHASING ESSENTIAL ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY/ADAPTIVE
11 EQUIPMENT AND RELATED SERVICES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
12 EDUCATION - VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION - ARKANSAS
13 REHABILITATION SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

16 "AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
17 - VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION -
18 ARKANSAS REHABILITATION SERVICES
19 APPROPRIATION."

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY/ADAPTIVE EQUIPMENT.

24 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Education - Vocational and
25 Technical Education - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services, to be payable from the
26 Technology Equipment Revolving Loan Fund, for providing loans to individuals
27 with disabilities for the purpose of purchasing essential assistive
28 technology/adaptive equipment and related services, the sum of two hundred
29 *fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000)* each fiscal year of the biennial period
30 ending June 30, 1997.

SECTION 2. Immediately upon the effective date of this Act, the Chief

33 Fiscal Officer of the State *is hereby authorized to transfer on his books and*
34 those of the State Treasurer the sum of *two hundred fifty thousand dollars*
35 *(\$250,000)* from the *General Improvement Fund, or its successor fund or fund*
36 *accounts* to the Technology Equipment Revolving Loan Fund to provide funds for

1 the appropriation provided herein.

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

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

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

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

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

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34 SECTION 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
35 Eightieth General Assembly that funds provided by the General Assembly for the

1 operations of the Department of Education - Vocational and Technical Education
2 - Arkansas Rehabilitation Services are insufficient to provide essential
3 governmental services; that the provisions of this act will provide the
4 necessary monies to provide such services; and that a delay in the effective
5 date of this Act could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration
6 and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is
7 hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate
8 preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and
9 effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

10 */s/Rep. E. Thicksten*

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12 APPROVED: 3-9-95

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