

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

1 State of Arkansas
2 81st General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 1997
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As Engrossed: S3/11/97

A Bill

ACT 613 OF 1997
SENATE BILL 593

5 *By: Joint Budget Committee*
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE VARIOUS
10 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION
11 OF DISTANCE LEARNING SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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14 "AN ACT FOR VARIOUS EDUCATIONAL
15 INSTITUTIONS - DISTANCE LEARNING SYSTEMS
16 AND EQUIPMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
17 APPROPRIATION."
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to various
23 educational institutions for the purchase and installation of distance
24 learning systems and equipment, to be payable from the General Improvement
25 Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

- 26 (A) To Forest Echoes Technical Institute, the sum of\$100,000.
- 27 (B) To Great Rivers Comprehensive Lifelong Learning Center, the
28 sum of\$100,000.
- 29 (C) To South Arkansas Community College, the sum of \$100,000.
- 30 (D) To Southeast Arkansas Technical College, the sum of\$100,000.
- 31 (E) To Southern Arkansas University - Tech, the sum of.....\$100,000.

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33 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
34 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
35 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
36 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and

1 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
2 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
3 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
4 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
5 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
6 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
7 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
8 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this Act.

9 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State
10 Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the
11 Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of this
12 State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and
13 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in
14 disbursement of any funds provided by this Act unless specifically provided
15 otherwise by law.

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17 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
18 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
19 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which
20 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
21 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
22 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
23 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
24 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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

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

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

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4 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
5 Eighty-First General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas
6 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that
7 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1997 is essential to the operation of
8 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
9 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
10 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1997 could work irreparable harm upon the
11 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
12 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
13 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
14 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1997.

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/s/Russ et al

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