

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: S3/19/97

## A Bill

ACT 859 OF 1997  
SENATE BILL 462

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

9 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PROVISION OF  
10 MATCHING GRANTS TO ARKANSAS QUALITY AWARDS, INC. FOR THE  
11 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING  
12 OFFICER FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1999; AND  
13 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."  
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### Subtitle

15 "AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE  
16 AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER  
17 - ARKANSAS QUALITY AWARDS, INC.  
18 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 1997-99 BIENNIUM."  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
24 Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable  
25 from the *General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts*, for  
26 matching grants for the purpose of promoting, educationg and recognizing  
27 Arkansas organizations demonstrating continuous improvement through the  
28 application of quality principles, for the biennial period ending June 30,  
29 1999, the sum of \$100,000.  
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31 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. The funds appropriated in Section 1  
32 herein may be released by the Chief Fiscal Officer from time to time to  
33 Arkansas Quality Awards, Inc., a non-profit corporation comprised of business  
34 organizations and other community sectors, including state and local  
35 government entities, for the purposes stated herein.  
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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 Eighty-First 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, 1997 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, 1997 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, 1997.

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