

**Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.**

1 State of Arkansas  
2 83rd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2001  
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*As Engrossed: H3/9/01*  
**A Bill**

**Act 902 of 2001**  
HOUSE BILL 2030

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

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
10 HIGHER EDUCATION FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS TO THE  
11 TWENTY THREE TWO YEAR COLLEGES FOR PERSONAL SERVICES,  
12 COMPUTERS, SOFTWARE AND EQUIPMENT FOR TECHNICAL  
13 PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

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16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER  
17 EDUCATION - TECHNOLOGY FUNDS  
18 DISTRIBUTION TO THE TWO YEAR COLLEGES  
19 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.  
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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25 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - TWO YEAR COLLEGES TECHNOLOGY FUNDS. There is  
26 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Higher Education, to be payable  
27 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
28 following:

29 (A) For the distribution of funds in the amount of two hundred fifty  
30 thousand dollars (\$250,000) to each of the twenty three (23) two year  
31 colleges for personal services, computers, software and equipment for  
32 technical programs, of which twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) per college  
33 shall be used to support "ACCESS Arkansas", the sum of.....\$5,750,000.  
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35 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor  
36 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects

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

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

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

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27 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
28 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
29 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
30 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2001 is essential to the operation of  
31 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
32 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
33 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2001 could work irreparable harm upon the  
34 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
35 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
36 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and

1 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2001.

2 */s/ Joint Budget Committee*

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APPROVED: 3/19/2001

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