

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 84th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2003  
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# A Bill

Act 323 of 2003  
HOUSE BILL 1612

5 By: Representative Bolin  
6 By: Senator J. Jeffress  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE UNIVERSITY  
11 OF ARKANSAS AT MONTICELLO FOR CONSTRUCTION,  
12 RENOVATION, EQUIPPING AND ASSOCIATED COSTS OF  
13 COMPUTER AND DISTANCE LEARNING LABORATORIES; AND  
14 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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18 AN ACT FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS  
19 AT MONTICELLO - DISTANCE LEARNING AND  
20 COMPUTER LABORATORIES GENERAL  
21 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.  
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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### SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - DISTANCE LEARNING AND COMPUTER LABORATORIES.

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27 There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas at Monticello, to  
28 be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund  
29 accounts, the following:

30 (A) For construction, renovation, equipping and associated costs of  
31 computer and distance learning laboratories to facilitate on-line instruction  
32 between the University of Arkansas at Monticello, the Forest Echoes Technical  
33 Institute and the Great Rivers Technical Institute campuses, the sum of  
34 .....\$150,000.  
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### SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor



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

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

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

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 28 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
 29 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
 30 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
 31 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2003 is essential to the operation of  
 32 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
 33 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
 34 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2003 could work irreparable harm upon the  
 35 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
 36 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being

1 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
2 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2003.

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