

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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As Engrossed: H3/19/03
A Bill

Act 658 of 2003
HOUSE BILL 1922

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

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PAYMENTS OF
10 COURT ORDERED ATTORNEY FEES IN LAKEVIEW SCHOOL
11 DISTRICT #25 OF PHILLIPS COUNTY ARKANSAS, ET AL
12 VS. GOVERNOR MIKE HUCKABEE, ET AL BY THE
13 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION -
14 DISBURSING OFFICER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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18 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
19 ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER-
20 PAYMENT OF COURT ORDERED ATTORNEY FEES
21 IN THE LAKEVIEW CASE SUPPLEMENTAL
22 APPROPRIATION.
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - ATTORNEY PAYMENTS. There is hereby
28 appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing
29 Officer, to be payable from the Miscellaneous Revolving Fund, the following:

30 (A) For payments of court ordered attorney fees and expenses for Lakeview
31 School District #25 of Phillips County, Arkansas et al vs. Governor Mike
32 Huckabee, et al, the sum of \$3,397,050.
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34 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
35 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. On the
36 effective date of this act the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall



1 transfer the sum of three million three hundred ninety seven thousand fifty
2 dollars (\$3,397,050), or so much thereof as may be required from the General
3 Revenue Fund Account to the Miscellaneous Revolving Fund to provide funding
4 for the appropriation provided herein.

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

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15 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
16 Assembly, that the court has ordered the state of Arkansas to pay attorney
17 fees and expenses in the Lakeview case and that the state is obligated to do
18 so as soon as possible; that the provisions of this act will provide the
19 necessary monies for the Department of Finance and Administration -
20 Disbursing Officer to pay such fees and expenses; and that a delay in the
21 effective date of this Act could work irreparable harm upon the proper
22 administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore,
23 an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the
24 immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in
25 full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.
26 If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become
27 effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor
28 may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is
29 overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house overrides
30 the veto.

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32 /s/ Joint Budget Committee

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35 APPROVED: 3/26/2003