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**Act 1319 of the Regular Session**

1 State of Arkansas  
2 86th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2007  
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**A Bill**

HOUSE BILL 1916

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

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE  
10 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE  
11 DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CAPITAL  
12 IMPROVEMENTS, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION,  
13 EQUIPMENT, AND OTHER VARIOUS PROJECTS; AND FOR  
14 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

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18 AN ACT FOR THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER  
19 EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER  
20 EDUCATION - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS,  
21 CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, EQUIPMENT, AND  
22 OTHER VARIOUS PROJECTS GENERAL  
23 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.  
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26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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28 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - JONESBORO. There  
29 is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University, to be payable from  
30 the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
31 following:

32 (A) For construction/replacement of Wilson Hall, the sum of...\$16,000,000.  
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34 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS - ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY. There is hereby  
35 appropriated, to the Arkansas Tech University, to be payable from the General



1 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

2 (A) For construction of an academic classroom facility, the sum of  
3 .....\$9,000,000.

4 (B) For construction/expansion of McEver Building Phase II, the sum of  
5 .....\$2,300,000.

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7 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS - HENDERSON STATE UNIVERSITY. There is hereby  
8 appropriated, to the Henderson State University, to be payable from the  
9 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
10 following:

11 (A) For construction of a business building and renovation of Mooney Hall,  
12 the sum of .....\$7,000,000.

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14 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS - SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY - MAGNOLIA.  
15 There is hereby appropriated, to the Southern Arkansas University, to be  
16 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund  
17 accounts, the following:

18 (A) For construction of a University Science Center, the sum of  
19 .....\$7,000,000.

20 (B) For renovation of the Wharton Nursing Building, the sum of...\$500,000.

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22 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS. There is hereby  
23 appropriated, to the University of Arkansas, to be payable from the General  
24 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

25 (A) For construction of a nanotechnology research center for the  
26 University of Arkansas - Fayetteville, the sum of .....\$22,000,000.

27 (B) For construction of a rice research and extension center for the  
28 University of Arkansas - Division of Agriculture, the sum of .....\$700,000.

29 (C) For construction of Cooperative Extension Headquarters Phase II for  
30 the University of Arkansas - Division of Agriculture, the sum of..\$7,000,000.

31 (D) For technology upgrades for the University of Arkansas - Division of  
32 Agriculture, the sum of .....\$500,000.

33 (E) For construction of a veterinary diagnostic laboratory for the  
34 University of Arkansas - Division of Agriculture, the sum of .....\$1,000,000.

35 (F) For construction of a Criminal Justice Institute building for the  
36 University of Arkansas - Criminal Justice Institute, the sum of ..\$2,750,000.

1 (G) For expansion/renovation of the University of Arkansas System Office  
2 building for the University of Arkansas - System, the sum of .....\$200,000.

3 (H) For upgrades to science laboratories for the University of Arkansas -  
4 Arkansas School for Mathematics, Science and the Arts, the sum of ..\$500,000.

5 (I) For construction/land purchase of the Clinton School campus for the  
6 University of Arkansas - Clinton School, the sum of .....\$6,000,000.

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8 SECTION 6. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - FORT SMITH. There is  
9 hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas - Fort Smith, to be  
10 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund  
11 accounts, the following:

12 (A) For construction of a modern language and fine arts building, the sum  
13 of .....\$7,000,000.

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15 SECTION 7. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - LITTLE ROCK. There  
16 is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, to be  
17 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund  
18 accounts, the following:

19 (A) For construction of a Cyber College, the sum of .....\$13,000,000.  
20 (B) For technology infrastructure upgrades, the sum of .....\$3,500,000.

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22 SECTION 8. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - MONTICELLO. There is  
23 hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas at Monticello, to be  
24 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund  
25 accounts, the following:

26 (A) For technology infrastructure, equipment and upgrades, the sum of  
27 .....\$1,000,000.

28 (B) For expansion/renovation of the Forest Resources Complex, the sum of  
29 .....\$5,750,000.

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31 SECTION 9. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES.  
32 There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas for Medical  
33 Sciences, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor  
34 fund or fund accounts, the following:

35 (A) For construction of an education building, the sum of ....\$1,500,000.  
36 (B) For renovation of the Arkansas State Hospital Space, the sum of

1 .....\$5,000,000.

2 (C) For renovation of the Barton Research Building, the sum of  
3 .....\$5,400,000.

4 (D) For renovation of space for administrative offices for regional  
5 programs, the sum of .....\$2,000,000.

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7 SECTION 10. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - PINE BLUFF. There  
8 is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, to be  
9 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund  
10 accounts, the following:

11 (A) For campus renovations and repairs, the sum of .....\$7,030,000.

12 (B) For technology upgrades, the sum of .....\$270,000.

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14 SECTION 11. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS. There is  
15 hereby appropriated, to the University of Central Arkansas, to be payable  
16 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
17 following:

18 (A) For construction of an education building, the sum of ...\$10,800,000.

19 (B) For construction of a business building, the sum of .....\$4,000,000.

20 (C) For nursing/occupational therapy building, the sum of ....\$2,700,000.

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22 SECTION 12. APPROPRIATIONS - ARKANSAS NORTHEASTERN COLLEGE. There is  
23 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Northeastern College, to be payable from  
24 the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
25 following:

26 (A) For campus technology upgrades, the sum of .....\$1,500,000.

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28 SECTION 13. APPROPRIATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - BEEBE. There is  
29 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University - Beebe, to be payable  
30 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
31 following:

32 (A) For construction/renovation of a new space for ASU - Searcy Phase II,  
33 the sum of .....\$3,000,000.

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35 SECTION 14. APPROPRIATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - MOUNTAIN HOME.  
36 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University - Mountain

1 Home, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund  
2 or fund accounts, the following:

3 (A) For construction of a community development center, the sum of  
4 .....\$1,250,000.

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6 SECTION 15. APPROPRIATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - NEWPORT. There  
7 is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas State University - Newport, to be  
8 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund  
9 accounts, the following:

10 (A) For construction of a transportation technology center, the sum of  
11 .....\$1,350,000.

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13 SECTION 16. APPROPRIATIONS - BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE. There is  
14 hereby appropriated, to the Black River Technical College, to be payable from  
15 the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
16 following:

- 17 (A) For construction of an auto body classroom and shop, the sum of
- 18 .....\$500,000.
- 19 (B) For renovation of an auto body facility, the sum of .....\$30,000.
- 20 (C) For renovation of an auto technology building, the sum of...\$250,000.

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22 SECTION 17. APPROPRIATIONS - COSSATOT COMMUNITY COLLEGE - UNIVERSITY OF  
23 ARKANSAS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Cossatot Community College of  
24 the University of Arkansas, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund  
25 or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

- 26 (A) For technology infrastructure upgrades, the sum of .....\$181,000.
- 27 (B) For technology equipment, the sum of .....\$225,000.
- 28 (C) For renovations at the Ashdown site, the sum of .....\$500,000.
- 29 (D) For roof replacements on building C, the sum of .....\$509,000.
- 30 (E) For renovations on building D, the sum of .....\$39,000.
- 31 (F) For construction of a fire training smoke maze, the sum of ..\$46,000.

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33 SECTION 18. APPROPRIATIONS - EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE. There is  
34 hereby appropriated, to the East Arkansas Community College, to be payable  
35 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
36 following:

1 (A) For construction of a fine arts center, the sum of .....\$1,300,000.

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3 SECTION 19. APPROPRIATIONS - MID-SOUTH COMMUNITY COLLEGE. There is hereby  
4 appropriated, to the Mid-South Community College, to be payable from the  
5 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
6 following:

7 (A) For construction of and equipment for a workforce technology center,  
8 the sum of .....\$2,500,000.

9 (B) For the University Center, the sum of .....\$2,000,000.

10 (C) For Workforce Investment One-Stop Center Complex, the sum of  
11 .....\$2,000,000.

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13 SECTION 20. APPROPRIATIONS - NATIONAL PARK COMMUNITY COLLEGE. There is  
14 hereby appropriated, to the National Park Community College, to be payable  
15 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
16 following:

17 (A) For infrastructure improvements, the sum of .....\$600,000.

18 (B) For classroom technology equipment, the sum of .....\$600,000.

19 (C) For renovation of the Health Science/Nursing Building, the sum of  
20 .....\$700,000.

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22 SECTION 21. APPROPRIATIONS - NORTH ARKANSAS COLLEGE. There is hereby  
23 appropriated, to the North Arkansas College, to be payable from the General  
24 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

25 (A) For construction of an allied health center, the sum of ..\$1,700,000.

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27 SECTION 22. APPROPRIATIONS - NORTHWEST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE. There  
28 is hereby appropriated, to the Northwest Arkansas Community College, to be  
29 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund  
30 accounts, the following:

31 (A) For technology infrastructure improvements, the sum of ...\$1,200,000.

32 (B) For renovation of Burns Hall, the sum of .....\$2,000,000.

33 (C) For construction of a workforce technology center, the sum of  
34 .....\$1,000,000.

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36 SECTION 23. APPROPRIATIONS - OUACHITA TECHNICAL COLLEGE. There is hereby

1 appropriated, to the Ouachita Technical College, to be payable from the  
2 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
3 following:

4 (A) For construction of an instructional technology center, the sum of  
5 .....\$830,000.

6 (B) For equipment related to smart classrooms/labs, the sum of...\$300,000.

7 (C) For renovation of the applied sciences facility, the sum of...\$70,000.

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9 SECTION 24. APPROPRIATIONS - OZARKA COLLEGE. There is hereby  
10 appropriated, to the Ozarka College, to be payable from the General  
11 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

12 (A) For costs associated with campus/grounds unification, the sum of  
13 .....\$125,000.

14 (B) For construction of a technology center, the sum of .....\$600,000.

15 (C) For renovation of the administration building, the sum of ..\$250,000.

16 (D) For renovation of the Miller Complex, the sum of .....\$250,000.

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18 SECTION 25. APPROPRIATIONS - PHILLIPS COMMUNITY COLLEGE - UNIVERSITY OF  
19 ARKANSAS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Phillips Community College of  
20 the University of Arkansas, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund  
21 or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

22 (A) For costs associated with replacing compressed video classroom  
23 equipment, the sum of .....\$400,000.

24 (B) For technology infrastructure improvements, the sum of .....\$190,000.

25 (C) For roof replacements, the sum of .....\$475,000.

26 (D) For renovation of the Pillow-Thompson House, the sum of ....\$150,000.

27 (E) For renovation of the Ohio Street properties, the sum of ...\$385,000.

28 (F) For costs associated with adding elevators to classroom and library  
29 buildings, the sum of .....\$150,000.

30 (G) For construction of a classroom/auditorium at the Stuttgart campus,  
31 the sum of .....\$1,000,000.

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33 SECTION 26. APPROPRIATIONS - PULASKI TECHNICAL COLLEGE. There is hereby  
34 appropriated, to the Pulaski Technical College, to be payable from the  
35 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
36 following:

1 (A) For construction of an aviation maintenance and technology hangar, the  
2 sum of .....\$1,000,000.

3 (B) For renovation of a classroom building and offices, the sum of  
4 .....\$1,500,000.

5 (C) For construction of a fine arts building, the sum of .....\$2,500,000.  
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7 SECTION 27. APPROPRIATIONS - RICH MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE. There is  
8 hereby appropriated, to the Rich Mountain Community College, to be payable  
9 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
10 following:

11 (A) For construction of a developmental instructional facility and library  
12 learning center, the sum of .....\$1,350,000.  
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14 SECTION 28. APPROPRIATIONS - SOUTH ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE. There is  
15 hereby appropriated, to the South Arkansas Community College, to be payable  
16 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
17 following:

18 (A) For construction of a health sciences building, the sum of  
19 .....\$1,350,000.  
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21 SECTION 29. APPROPRIATIONS - SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS COLLEGE. There is hereby  
22 appropriated, to the Southeast Arkansas College, to be payable from the  
23 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
24 following:

25 (A) For renovation of Technology Center North and Technology Center South,  
26 the sum of .....\$350,000.

27 (B) For construction of a library/classroom building, the sum of  
28 .....\$1,000,000.

29 (C) For renovation of Founders Hall, the sum of .....\$150,000.  
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31 SECTION 30. APPROPRIATIONS - SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY - TECH. There  
32 is hereby appropriated, to the SAU-Tech, to be payable from the General  
33 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

34 (A) For construction of a technology/multi-purpose building, the sum of  
35 .....\$2,750,000.

36 (B) For expansion/renovation to the existing Environmental Academy

1 classroom building, the sum of .....\$400,000.

2 (C) For costs associated with the modernization of interior fire  
3 simulators at the Fire Training Academy, the sum of .....\$250,000.

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5 SECTION 31. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE -  
6 BATESVILLE. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas  
7 Community College at Batesville, to be payable from the General Improvement  
8 Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

9 (A) For construction of a nursing and allied health facility, the sum of  
10 .....\$1,500,000.

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12 SECTION 32. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE -  
13 HOPE. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas Community  
14 College at Hope, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its  
15 successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

16 (A) For the construction of a science and technology center, the sum of  
17 .....\$300,000.

18 (B) For technology infrastructure upgrades, the sum of .....\$950,000.

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20 SECTION 33. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE -  
21 MORRILTON. There is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas  
22 Community College at Morrilton, to be payable from the General Improvement  
23 Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

24 (A) For the construction of a health, physical education and recreation  
25 building, the sum of .....\$1,750,000.

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27 SECTION 34. APPROPRIATIONS - TWO-YEAR COLLEGE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
28 INCENTIVES. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Higher  
29 Education, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor  
30 fund or fund accounts, the following:

31 (A) For allocation by the Director of the Arkansas Department of Higher  
32 Education, to two-year colleges for economic development incentive grants,  
33 the sum of .....\$3,000,000.

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35 SECTION 35. 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 36. 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 37. 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, 2007 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, 2007 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, 2007.

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