

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.
Act 1612 of the Regular Session

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

A Bill

SENATE BILL 486

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5 By: Senator Bryles
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT
10 OF RURAL SERVICES FOR RURAL SERVICES BLOCK
11 GRANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL
16 SERVICES - RURAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANTS
17 GENERAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - BLOCK GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated,
23 to the Department of Rural Services, to be payable from the General
24 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

25 (A) For Rural Services Block Grants, the sum of\$500,000.
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27 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
28 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
29 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
30 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
31 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
32 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
33 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
34 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
35 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds



1 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
 2 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
 3 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

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

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 20 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
 21 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
 22 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the
 23 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2007 is essential to the operation of
 24 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
 25 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
 26 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2007 could work irreparable harm upon the
 27 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
 28 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
 29 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
 30 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2007.

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 32 APPROVED: 4/10/2007
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