

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 1619 of the Regular Session

1 State of Arkansas  
2 86th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2007  
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As Engrossed: S3/6/07

A Bill

SENATE BILL 547

5 By: Senator Trusty  
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT  
10 OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF AGING  
11 AND ADULT SERVICES FOR HOSPICE CONSTRUCTION,  
12 RENOVATION, PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT, MAINTENANCE,  
13 AND OTHER RELATED OPERATING EXPENSES; AND FOR  
14 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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16 **Subtitle**

17 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND  
18 HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF AGING AND  
19 ADULT SERVICES - HOSPICE CONSTRUCTION,  
20 IMPROVEMENTS, AND OPERATING EXPENSES  
21 GENERAL IMPROVEMENT 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 - HOSPICE EXPENSES. There is hereby  
28 appropriated, to the Department of Health and Human Services - Division of  
29 Aging and Adult Services, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or  
30 its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

31 (A) For Hospice construction, renovation, purchase of equipment,  
32 maintenance, and other operating expenses, the sum of .....\$50,000.  
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34 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE  
35 NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. GRANTS. The



1 grants authorized in Section 1 of this Act shall not be restricted by  
2 requirements that may be applicable to other grant programs currently  
3 administered by the Department of Health and Human Services - Division of  
4 Aging and Adult Services. The Department of Health and Human Services -  
5 Division of Aging and Adult Services may adopt rules and regulations to carry  
6 out the intent of the General Assembly regarding the grant appropriations  
7 authorized in Section 1 of this Act.

8 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2007  
9 through June 30, 2009.

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11 SECTION 3. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor  
12 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects  
13 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available  
14 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and  
15 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and  
16 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or  
17 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
18 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
19 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
20 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
21 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
22 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

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30 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
31 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
32 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
33 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
34 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
35 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
36 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or

1 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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3 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
4 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
5 appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the  
6 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2007 is essential to the operation of  
7 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
8 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
9 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2007 could work irreparable harm upon the  
10 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
11 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
12 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
13 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2007.

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15 /s/ Trusty

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17 **APPROVED: 4/10/2007**  
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