

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 1635 of the Regular Session**

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

SENATE BILL 583

5 By: Senator G. Jeffress  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT  
10 OF RURAL SERVICES FOR GRANTS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENTS  
11 AND COUNTY FAIRS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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

27 (A) For grants for rural Fire Departments and County Fairs, the sum of  
28 .....\$175,000.  
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30 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor  
31 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects  
32 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available  
33 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and  
34 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and  
35 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or



1 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
 2 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
 3 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
 4 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
 5 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
 6 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

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

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

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 35 APPROVED: 4/10/2007  
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