

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 1231 of the Regular Session

As Engrossed: H3/30/09

A Bill

1 State of Arkansas
2 87th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2009

HOUSE BILL 1688

5 By: Representative Saunders

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE STATE
10 BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS FOR ELECTION
11 EXPENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTION
16 COMMISSIONERS - ELECTION EXPENSES
17 APPROPRIATION.

20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

22 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - ELECTION EXPENSES. There is hereby
23 appropriated, to the State Board of Election Commissioners, to be payable
24 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
25 following:

26 (A) For reimbursement of General Election Expenses, the sum of
27\$1,500,000.

29 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the State
30 Board of Election Commissioners, to be payable from the General Elections
31 Reimbursement Fund, for reimbursement of General Election Expenses, the sum
32 of\$1,500,000.

34 SECTION 3. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
35 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 4. 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 5. 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 one (1) year period; that the
30 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2009 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, 2009 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, 2009.

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/s/ Saunders

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