

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 1431 of the Regular Session**

1 State of Arkansas  
2 87th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2009  
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*As Engrossed: S4/3/09*

**A Bill**

SENATE BILL 506

5 By: Senator B. Johnson  
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**For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE UNIVERSITY  
10 OF ARKANSAS FOR EXPENSES OF THE WINTHROP  
11 ROCKEFELLER INSTITUTE FOR THE BIENNIAL STRATEGIC  
12 POLICY FORUM, SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING &  
13 MATHEMATICS CONFERENCES, ACCELERATE ARKANSAS  
14 INITIATIVES, AND CONSERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY  
15 WORKSHOPS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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**Subtitle**

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19 AN ACT FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS -  
20 EXPENSES OF THE WINTHROP ROCKEFELLER  
21 INSTITUTE FOR THE BIENNIAL STRATEGIC  
22 POLICY FORUM, STEM CONFERENCES,  
23 ACCELERATE ARKANSAS INITIATIVES, AND  
24 CONSERVATION/SUSTAINABILITY WORKSHOPS  
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27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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29 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - U OF A - WINTHROP ROCKEFELLER INSTITUTE. There  
30 is hereby appropriated, to the University of Arkansas, to be payable from the  
31 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the  
32 following:

33 *(A) For a grant for expenses of the Winthrop Rockefeller Institute*  
34 *including the Biennial Strategic Policy Forum; conferences on Science,*  
35 *Technology, Engineering and Mathematics; Accelerate Arkansas support and*



1 *initiatives; conservation/sustainability and energy workshops; strategic*  
2 *planning and development of conferencing capabilities and locale amenities of*  
3 *the Institute in order to facilitate local, national, and international*  
4 *conferences and meetings on policy matters including but not limited to the*  
5 *above subject matter, the sum of .....\$650,000.*

6 *(B) For a grant for expenses to support a partnership between the*  
7 *Winthrop Rockefeller Institute and the University of Arkansas Clinton School*  
8 *of Public Service for purposes including but not limited to stipends for*  
9 *staff and students to be assigned to the Institute for assessment and*  
10 *strategic planning; expense-sharing for conferences and/or meetings arising*  
11 *from consultation and cooperation between the Clinton School and the*  
12 *Institute; and to support other collaborative initiatives between the Clinton*  
13 *School and the Institute, the sum of .....\$150,000.*

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15 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor  
16 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects  
17 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available  
18 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and  
19 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and  
20 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or  
21 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
22 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
23 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
24 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
25 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
26 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

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34 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
35 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
36 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act

1 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
2 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
3 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
4 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
5 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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7 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
8 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the  
9 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the  
10 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2009 is essential to the operation of  
11 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
12 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
13 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2009 could work irreparable harm upon the  
14 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
15 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
16 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
17 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2009.

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19 /s/ B. Johnson

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21 **APPROVED: 4/9/2009**  
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