

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.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1724

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For An Act To Be Entitled

18 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE ARKANSAS
19 AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY
20 FOR FAIR GRANTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

24 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE
25 DEPARTMENT - LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY -
26 FAIR GRANTS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT
27 APPROPRIATION.
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30 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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32 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - FAIR GRANTS. There is hereby appropriated, to
33 the Arkansas Agriculture Department, to be payable from the General
34 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

35 (A) For grants to County and District Fairs for construction, renovation,



1 maintenance and purchase of equipment, the sum of\$5,000,000.

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3 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
4 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. The
5 appropriations authorized in this Act shall not be restricted by requirements
6 that may be applicable to other programs currently administered. New rules
7 and regulations may be adopted to carry out the intent of the General
8 Assembly regarding the appropriations authorized in this Act.

9 No less than thirty (30) days prior to the distribution of any funds
10 appropriated by this act, the director of the agency shall notify the Speaker
11 of the House of Representatives of the name and address of each recipient and
12 the amount that is being distributed to each recipient.

13 The grant amount authorized for each County Fair by this act shall be
14 \$7,200 and the grant amount authorized for each District Fair by this act
15 shall be \$48,000. A determination shall be made as to whether the actual
16 available funding meets, exceeds or falls below the total authorized grant
17 amount for all County and District Fairs by this act. Next, the Department
18 will determine by what percentage the actual funds available exceed or fall
19 below the total grant amounts authorized by this act. If actual funding is
20 either above or below the total authorized grant amount for all County and
21 District Fairs authorized by this act, each County and District Fair's grant
22 amount will be adjusted by the percentage the actual funds available exceed
23 or fall below the total authorized grant amount.

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25 SECTION 3. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
26 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
27 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
28 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
29 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
30 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
31 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
32 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
33 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
34 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
35 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
36 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

1 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State Purchasing
2 Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue
3 Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of this State
4 and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration,
5 as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of any
6 funds provided by this act unless specifically provided otherwise by law.
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8 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly
9 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained
10 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act
11 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations
12 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by
13 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral
14 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or
15 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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17 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
18 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
19 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
20 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2009 is essential to the operation of
21 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
22 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective
23 date of this Act beyond July 1, 2009 could work irreparable harm upon the
24 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
25 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
26 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
27 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2009.
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29 /s/ Maloch
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31 **APPROVED: 4/6/2009**
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