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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL
9 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC
10 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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13 **Subtitle**

14 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC
15 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION REAPPROPRIATION.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. REAPPROPRIATION - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT AND CAPITAL PROJECTS -
21 RURAL SERVICES DIVISION. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas
22 Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the General Improvement
23 Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, for the Arkansas Economic
24 Development Commission - Rural Services Division the following:

25 (A) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
26 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to counties,
27 municipalities, or subdivisions thereof, or other eligible entities for
28 operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and maintenance
29 expenses for African American cemeteries, in a sum not to exceed
30\$9,857.

31 (B) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
32 in Item (B) Section 1 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to counties,
33 municipalities, or subdivisions thereof, or other eligible entities for
34 operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and maintenance
35 expenses associated with public buildings, community centers, memorials,
36 parks, amphitheaters, recreation centers, libraries and cemeteries, in a sum



1 not to exceed.....\$7,000,000.

2 (C) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
3 in Item (C) Section 1 of Act 221 of 2016, for community improvement grants to
4 counties, for operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation,
5 and maintenance expenses associated with county fairs and rodeos, in a sum
6 not to exceed.....\$24,625.

7 (D) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
8 in Item (D) Section 1 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to libraries, fire
9 departments, counties, municipalities, or subdivisions thereof, or other
10 eligible entities for operating, construction, improvements, equipment,
11 renovation, and maintenance expenses, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,625.

12 (E) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
13 in Item (J) Section 1 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to fire departments,
14 counties, municipalities, or subdivisions thereof, or other eligible entities
15 for operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and
16 maintenance expenses associated with public buildings, community centers,
17 memorials, parks, amphitheaters, recreation centers, fire protection and
18 cemeteries, in a sum not to exceed.....\$91,113.

19 (F) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
20 in Item (I) Section 1 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to fire departments,
21 counties, municipalities, or subdivisions thereof, or other eligible entities
22 for operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and
23 maintenance expenses associated with public buildings, community centers,
24 memorials, parks, amphitheaters, recreation centers, fire protection and
25 cemeteries, in a sum not to exceed.....\$70,794.

26 (G) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
27 in Item (K) Section 1 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to fire departments,
28 counties, municipalities, or subdivisions thereof, or other eligible entities
29 for operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and
30 maintenance expenses associated with public buildings, community centers,
31 memorials, parks, amphitheaters, recreation centers, fire protection and
32 cemeteries, in a sum not to exceed.....\$29,550.

33 (H) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
34 in Item (L) Section 1 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to fire departments,
35 counties, municipalities, or subdivisions thereof, or other eligible entities
36 for operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and

1 maintenance expenses associated with the provision of fire protection, search
2 and rescue, emergency medical services and emergency management programs, in
3 a sum not to exceed.....\$24,625.

4 (I) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
5 in Item (M) Section 1 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to fire departments,
6 counties, municipalities, or subdivisions thereof, or other eligible entities
7 for operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and
8 maintenance expenses associated with public buildings, community centers,
9 memorials, parks, amphitheaters, recreation centers, fire protection and
10 cemeteries, in a sum not to exceed.....\$88,650.

11 (J) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
12 in Item (N) Section 1 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to fire departments,
13 counties, municipalities, or subdivisions thereof, or other eligible entities
14 for operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and
15 maintenance expenses associated with public buildings, community centers,
16 memorials, parks, amphitheaters, recreation centers, fire protection and
17 cemeteries, in a sum not to exceed.....\$83,725.

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19 SECTION 2. REAPPROPRIATION - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS - DIVISION OF
20 SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas
21 Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the General Improvement
22 Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, for the Arkansas Economic
23 Development Commission - Division of Science and Technology the following:

24 (A) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
25 in Item (A) Section 2 of Act 221 of 2016, for matching funds for a grant from
26 the National Science Foundation, in a sum not to exceed.....\$8,453.

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28 SECTION 3. REAPPROPRIATION - BOND PROCEEDS. There is hereby
29 appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable
30 from the Bond Proceeds for the Arkansas Economic Development Commission the
31 following:

32 (A) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
33 in Item (A) Section 3 of Act 221 of 2016, for economic development projects
34 authorized under Amendment 82 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas of
35 1874, in a sum not to exceed.....\$225,000,000.

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1 SECTION 4. REAPPROPRIATION - CASH FUNDS. There is hereby appropriated,
2 to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the cash
3 funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for the Arkansas Economic
4 Development Commission the following:

5 (A) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
6 in Item (A) Section 4 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants for land acquisition,
7 improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and purchase of
8 equipment for compressed natural gas demonstration stations, in a sum not to
9 exceed.....\$100,000.

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11 SECTION 5. REAPPROPRIATION - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE FUNDS.
12 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development
13 Commission, to be payable from the Economic Development Incentive Fund of the
14 Arkansas Economic Development Commission, for the Arkansas Economic
15 Development Commission the following:

16 (A) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
17 in Item (A) Section 5 of Act 221 of 2016, for financial incentives to
18 companies locating a new facility or expanding an existing facility within
19 the state of Arkansas and for companies that hire and maintain specified
20 levels of employment, as identified in signed financial agreements, in a sum
21 not to exceed.....\$2,310,553.

22 (B) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
23 in Item (B) Section 5 of Act 221 of 2016, for financial incentives to
24 companies locating a new facility or expanding an existing facility within
25 the state of Arkansas and for companies that hire and maintain specified
26 levels of employment, as identified in signed financial agreements, in a sum
27 not to exceed.....\$37,500,000.

28 (C) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
29 in Item (C) Section 5 of Act 221 of 2016, for financial incentives to
30 companies locating a new facility or expanding an existing facility within
31 the state of Arkansas and for companies that hire and maintain specified
32 levels of employment, as identified in signed financial agreements, in a sum
33 not to exceed.....\$37,500,000.

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35 SECTION 6. REAPPROPRIATION - CLEAN-BURNING MOTOR FUEL DEVELOPMENT
36 FUNDS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development

1 Commission, to be payable from the Clean Burning Motor Fuel Development Fund,
2 for the Arkansas Economic Development Commission the following:

3 (A) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
4 in Item (A) Section 6 of Act 221 of 2016, for rebates, grants, and incentives
5 for compressed natural gas and liquefied natural gas refueling stations and
6 qualified clean-burning motor vehicle property, in a sum not to exceed
7\$5,000,000.

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9 SECTION 7. REAPPROPRIATION - QUICK ACTION CLOSING FUND. There is
10 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be
11 payable from the Economic Development Incentive Quick Action Closing Fund,
12 for the Arkansas Economic Development Commission the following:

13 (A) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
14 in Item (A) Section 7 of Act 221 of 2016, for incentives to attract new
15 businesses and economic development to the State, in a sum not to
16 exceed.....\$18,727,888.

17 (B) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
18 in Item (B) Section 7 of Act 221 of 2016, for incentives to attract new
19 business and economic development to the State by the Arkansas Economic
20 Development Commission, in a sum not to exceed.....\$20,176,366.

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22 SECTION 8. REAPPROPRIATION - MINORITY BUSINESS LOAN MOBILIZATION.
23 There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development
24 Commission, to be payable from the Minority Loan Mobilization Revolving Fund,
25 for the Arkansas Economic Development Commission the following:

26 (A) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
27 in Item (A) Section 8 of Act 221 of 2016, for promoting the development of
28 minority business enterprises in the State, increasing the ability of
29 minority business enterprises to compete for state contracts, and sustaining
30 the economic growth of minority business enterprises in the State, in a sum
31 not to exceed.....\$293,694.

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33 SECTION 9. REAPPROPRIATION - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS. There is
34 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be
35 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
36 accounts, for the Arkansas Economic Development Commission the following:

1 (A) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 2 in Item (A) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for the promotion of the movie/film
 3 office for the production of full length movies in the State of Arkansas, in
 4 a sum not to exceed.....\$8,682.

5 (B) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 6 in Item (B) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
 7 planning and development districts, and other eligible entities for land
 8 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
 9 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
 10 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
 11 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur
 12 construction and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
 13 projects, and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a
 14 sum not to exceed.....\$140,000.

15 (C) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 16 in Item (C) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
 17 planning and development districts, and other eligible entities for land
 18 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
 19 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
 20 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
 21 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur
 22 construction and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
 23 projects and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a
 24 sum not to exceed.....\$20,000.

25 (D) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 26 in Item (D) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for funding for grants and/or loans
 27 to state agencies, cities, counties, community-based non-profit organizations
 28 and other eligible entities to undertake public works projects and/or job
 29 training efforts which support private sector job creation opportunities,
 30 alleviate conditions which constitute a threat to public health and well
 31 being, or partially defray the costs of providing access to publicly owned
 32 industrial parks, and/or technology parks; to provide grants and/or loans for
 33 the expansion of the aircraft and aerospace industry; grants and/or loans for
 34 port and waterway economic development projects; grants and/or loans for
 35 technology based economic development projects; grants and/or loans for
 36 industrial site development costs (including, but not limited to land

1 acquisition, construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition);
 2 development of intermodal facilities (including, but not limited to port and
 3 waterway projects, rail spur construction and road and highway improvements);
 4 grants and/or loans to pay the costs of environmental mitigation projects;
 5 and for construction and/or improvement of water and sewer systems, in a sum
 6 not to exceed.....\$250,000.

7 (E) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 8 in Item (F) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for providing funding for grants to
 9 cities and counties to provide financial assistance necessary to undertake
 10 public works projects and/or job training efforts which support private
 11 sector job creation opportunities, alleviate conditions which constitute a
 12 threat to public health and well being, or partially defray the costs of
 13 providing access to publicly owned industrial parks; and for grants and/or
 14 loans for the expansion of the aircraft and aerospace industry; and for
 15 grants and/or loans for port and waterway economic development projects; and
 16 for grants and/or loans to support technology based economic development
 17 projects, in a sum not to exceed.....\$952,914.

18 (F) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 19 in Item (G) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for providing funding for grants to
 20 cities and counties to provide financial assistance necessary to undertake
 21 public works projects and/or job training efforts which support private
 22 sector job creation opportunities, alleviate conditions which constitute a
 23 threat to public health and well-being, or partially defray the costs of
 24 providing access to publicly owned industrial parks; and for grants and/or
 25 loans for the expansion of the aircraft and aerospace industry; and for
 26 grants and/or loans to support technology based economic development
 27 projects, in a sum not to exceed.....\$856,840.

28 (G) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 29 in Item (H) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for funding for grants and/or loans
 30 to state agencies, cities, counties, community-based non-profit organizations
 31 and other eligible entities to undertake public works projects and/or job
 32 training efforts which support private sector job creation opportunities,
 33 alleviate conditions which constitute a threat to public health and well
 34 being, or partially defray the costs of providing access to publicly owned
 35 industrial parks, and/or technology parks; and to provide grants and/or loans
 36 for the expansion of the aircraft and aerospace industry; and for grants

1 and/or loans for port and waterway economic development projects; and for
 2 grants and/or loans for technology based economic development projects; and
 3 for grants and/or loans for industrial site development costs (including, but
 4 not limited to land acquisition, construction, renovation, and equipment
 5 acquisition); and for development of intermodal facilities (including, but
 6 not limited to port and waterway projects, rail spur construction and road
 7 and highway improvements); and for grants and/or loans to pay the costs of
 8 environmental mitigation projects; and for construction and/or improvement of
 9 water and sewer systems, in a sum not to exceed.....\$1,023,950.

10 (H) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 11 in Item (I) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for rebates, grants, and incentives
 12 for compressed natural gas and liquefied natural gas refueling stations and
 13 *qualified clean-burning motor vehicle property; for grants and/or loans to*
 14 *state agencies, cities, counties, municipalities, planning and development*
 15 *districts, community-based non-profit organizations and other eligible*
 16 *entities to support economic stimulus activities in Northwest Arkansas,*
 17 *undertake public works projects and/or job training efforts which support*
 18 *private sector job creation opportunities and alleviate conditions which*
 19 *constitute a threat to public health and well being; grants and/or loans for*
 20 *technology based economic development projects; grants and/or loans for*
 21 *operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and maintenance*
 22 *expenses associated with public buildings, community centers, memorials,*
 23 *parks, amphitheaters, recreation centers, libraries and cemeteries, in a sum*
 24 *not to*
 25 *exceed.....\$800,500.*

26 (I) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 27 in Item (J) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
 28 planning and development districts, and other eligible entities for land
 29 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
 30 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
 31 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
 32 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur
 33 construction and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
 34 projects, and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a
 35 sum not to exceed.....\$27,335.

36 (J) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided

1 in Item (K) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
 2 planning and development districts, and other eligible entities for land
 3 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
 4 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
 5 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
 6 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur
 7 construction and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
 8 projects, and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a
 9 sum not to exceed.....\$3,000.

10 (K) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 11 in Item (L) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
 12 planning and development districts, and other eligible entities for land
 13 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
 14 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
 15 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
 16 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur
 17 construction and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
 18 projects, and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a
 19 sum not to exceed.....\$18,000.

20 (L) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 21 in Item (M) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
 22 planning and development districts, and other eligible entities for land
 23 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
 24 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
 25 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
 26 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur
 27 construction, and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
 28 projects, and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a
 29 sum not to exceed.....\$45,000.

30 (M) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 31 in Item (N) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
 32 planning and development districts and other eligible entities for land
 33 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
 34 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
 35 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
 36 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur

1 construction and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
2 projects, and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a
3 sum not to exceed.....\$16,250.

4 (N) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
5 in Item (O) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
6 planning and development districts, and other eligible entities for land
7 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
8 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
9 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
10 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur
11 construction and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
12 projects and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a
13 sum not to exceed.....\$5,000.

14 (O) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
15 in Item (P) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
16 planning and development districts, and other eligible entities for land
17 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
18 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
19 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
20 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur
21 construction and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
22 projects, and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a
23 sum not to exceed.....\$20,000.

24 (P) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
25 in Item (Q) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for a transfer to the Economic
26 Development Incentive Quick Action Closing Fund, for incentives to attract
27 new business and economic development to the state, in a sum not to
28 exceed.....\$10,000,000.

29 (Q) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
30 in Item (R) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for funding for grants and/or loans
31 to state agencies, cities, counties, community-based non-profit organizations
32 and other eligible entities to undertake public works projects and/or job
33 training efforts which support private sector job creation opportunities,
34 alleviate conditions which constitute a threat to public health and well
35 being, or partially defray the costs of providing access to publicly owned
36 industrial parks, and/or technology parks; to provide grants and/or loans for

1 the expansion of the aircraft and aerospace industry; grants and/or loans for
 2 port and waterway economic development projects; grants and/or loans for
 3 technology based economic development projects; grants and/or loans for
 4 industrial site development costs (including, but not limited to land
 5 acquisition, construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition);
 6 development of intermodal facilities (including, but not limited to port and
 7 waterway projects, rail spur construction and road and highway improvements);
 8 grants and/or loans to pay the costs of environmental mitigation projects;
 9 and for construction and/or improvement of water and sewer systems, in a sum
 10 not to exceed.....\$5,665,000.

11 (R) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 12 in Item (S) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for funding for an investment in
 13 Arkansas' workforce through training incentives for companies located in
 14 Arkansas to upgrade skills of their existing workforce, or for a potential
 15 new workforce, and to build capacity within Arkansas to supply on-going
 16 training needs of Arkansas companies and to increase participation in the
 17 State's school-to-work initiatives, in a sum not to exceed.....\$3,000,000.

18 (S) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 19 in Item (T) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for allocation by the Executive
 20 Director of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission for activities
 21 associated with the implementation of the State's strategic plan for economic
 22 development, in a sum not to exceed.....\$400,000.

23 (T) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 24 in Item (U) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for payments on bonds issued for
 25 economic development projects authorized under Amendment 82 to the
 26 Constitution of the State of Arkansas of 1874, in a sum not to
 27 exceed.....\$6,994,126.

28 (U) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
 29 in Item (V) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
 30 planning and development districts, and other eligible entities for land
 31 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
 32 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
 33 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
 34 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur
 35 construction and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
 36 projects, and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a

1 sum not to exceed.....\$40,000.

2 (V) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
3 in Item (W) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
4 planning and development districts, and other eligible entities for land
5 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
6 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
7 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
8 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur
9 construction and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
10 projects, and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a
11 sum not to exceed.....\$50,000.

12 (W) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
13 in Item (X) Section 9 of Act 221 of 2016, for grants to cities, counties,
14 planning and development districts, and other eligible entities for land
15 acquisition, improvements, construction, renovation, major maintenance, and
16 purchase of equipment, industrial site development costs including,
17 construction, renovation, and equipment acquisition, development of
18 intermodal facilities, including port and waterway projects, rail spur
19 construction and road and highway improvements, environmental mitigation
20 projects, and construction and improvement of water and sewer systems, in a
21 sum not to exceed.....\$20,000.

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23 SECTION 10. REAPPROPRIATION - INNOVATE ARKANSAS. There is hereby
24 appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable
25 from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, for
26 the Arkansas Economic Development Commission the following:

27 (A) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided
28 in Item (A) Section 12 of Act 221 of 2016, for a transfer to the Innovate
29 Arkansas Fund for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas
30 Economic Development Commission, in a sum not to exceed.....\$3,250,000.

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32 SECTION 11. REAPPROPRIATION - INNOVATE ARKANSAS. There is hereby
33 appropriated, to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, to be payable
34 from the Innovate Arkansas Fund, for the Arkansas Economic Development
35 Commission the following:

36 (A) Effective July 1, 2017, the balance of the appropriation provided

1 in Item (A) Section 13 of Act 221 of 2016, for personal services and
2 operating expenses, in a sum not to exceed.....\$3,500,000.

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4 *SECTION 12. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS*
5 *CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. As*
6 *referenced in SECTION 3, Subsection (a) of Acts 1518 and 1519 of 2013, the*
7 *authorized funding for the Arkansas Economic Development Commission for*
8 *rebates, grants, and incentives for compressed natural gas and liquefied*
9 *natural gas refueling stations and qualified clean-burning motor vehicle*
10 *property shall also be deemed to include funding for grants and/or loans to*
11 *state agencies, cities, counties, municipalities, planning and development*
12 *districts, community-based non-profit organizations and other eligible*
13 *entities to support economic stimulus activities in Northwest Arkansas,*
14 *undertake public works projects and/or job training efforts which support*
15 *private sector job creation opportunities and alleviate conditions which*
16 *constitute a threat to public health and well being; grants and/or loans for*
17 *technology based economic development projects; grants and/or loans for*
18 *operating, construction, improvements, equipment, renovation, and maintenance*
19 *expenses associated with public buildings, community centers, memorials,*
20 *parks, amphitheaters, recreation centers, libraries and cemeteries.*

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22 *SECTION 13. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor*
23 *obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects*
24 *described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available*
25 *therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and*
26 *agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and*
27 *donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or*
28 *funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State*
29 *Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects*
30 *enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds*
31 *otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General*
32 *Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall*
33 *not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.*

34 *(B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State*
35 *Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the*
36 *Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of*

1 this State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and
2 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in
3 disbursement of any funds provided by this act unless specifically provided
4 otherwise by law.

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

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15 SECTION 15. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
16 General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits
17 the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
18 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2017 is essential to the operation of
19 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
20 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
21 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2017 could work irreparable harm
22 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
23 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
24 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
25 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2017.

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27 */s/ Joint Budget Committee*

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30 **APPROVED: 03/28/2017**

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