

1 State of Arkansas
2 94th General Assembly
3 Fiscal Session, 2024
4

A Bill

SENATE BILL 73

5 By: Joint Budget Committee
6

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL
9 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
10 EDUCATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION - NORTHWEST
11 TECHNICAL INSTITUTE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
12
13

Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -
15 DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION - NORTHWEST
16 TECHNICAL INSTITUTE REAPPROPRIATION.
17
18
19

20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
21

22 SECTION 1. REAPPROPRIATION - DIVISION OF HIGHER EDUCATION - NORTHWEST
23 TECHNICAL INSTITUTE - DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT. There is hereby
24 appropriated, to the Department of Education, to be payable from the
25 Development and Enhancement Fund, for the Department of Education - Division
26 of Higher Education - Northwest Technical Institute the following:

27 (A) Effective July 1, 2024, the balance of the appropriation provided
28 in Item (A) of Section 1 of Act 152 of 2023, for transfers of or refund to
29 expenditures for balances for construction, renovation, major maintenance,
30 and purchase of equipment for various capital projects or facility
31 improvements, in a sum not to exceed\$1,000,000.

32 (B) Effective July 1, 2024, the balance of the appropriation provided
33 in Item (A) of Section 1 of Act 216 of 2023, for transfers of or refund to
34 expenditures for capital balances for construction, renovation, major
35 maintenance, and purchase of equipment for various capital projects or
36 facility improvements, in a sum not to exceed\$499,039.



1 (C) Effective July 1, 2024, the balance of the appropriation provided
2 in Item (B) of Section 1 of Act 216 of 2023, for Industrial Technology Center
3 construction, parking, equipment, and furnishings costs, in a sum not to
4 exceed\$36,307.

5 (D) Effective July 1, 2024, the balance of the appropriation provided
6 in Item (C) of Section 1 of Act 216 of 2023, for transfers of or refund to
7 expenditures for capital balances for construction, renovation, major
8 maintenance, and purchase of equipment for various capital projects or
9 facility improvements, in a sum not to exceed\$18,411.

10
11 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
12 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
13 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
14 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
15 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
16 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
17 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
18 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
19 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
20 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
21 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
22 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

30
31 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
32 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
33 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
34 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
35 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
36 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or

1 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
2 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

3
4 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
5 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
6 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
7 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2024 is essential to the operation of
8 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
9 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
10 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2024 could work irreparable harm
11 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
12 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
13 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
14 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2024.

15
16
17 **APPROVED: 4/25/24**
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35
36