Act 24 HB1107

"AN ACT TO TRANSFER APPROPRIATION, FUNDS AND A POSITION FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY TO THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. On the effective date of this Act, the Chief Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized, upon request from the President of the University of Arkansas and the Director of the Department of Arkansas Heritage, to transfer a position of Survey Research Assistant from the University of Arkansas Archeological Survey as authorized by item (201) of Section 1 of Act 717 of 1985, to the Department of Arkansas Heritage, Historic Preservation Program as a DAH Archaeologist to be compensated at grade 18 as set by Act 199 of 1969, as amended, for the remainder of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1987.

SECTION 2. Upon request from the President of the University of Arkansas and the Director of the Department of Arkansas Heritage, the Chief Fiscal Officer shall cause to be transferred on his books, and the books of the State Auditor and State Treasurer, sufficient funds and appropriation as required to provide the personal services, benefits and necessary expenses for the transferred position as authorized in Section 1 of this Act. Such funds shall be transferred from the University of Arkansas Fund and such appropriation shall be transferred from the appropriations provided by Section 4 of Act 717 of 1985 for the 1986-87 fiscal year and are to be used in order to provide for expenses necessary for the transfer of the responsibility of review and comment on compliance of federal laws and regulations relative to federal project impact on archaeological sites and resources. Such transfer shall be limited to a total of \$14,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1987.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the 76th General Assembly that Act 673 of 1977 places the responsibility of review and comment on compliance with federal laws, the impact of archeological sites and resources with the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program of the Department of Arkansas Heritage; that due to convenience and tradition, this responsibility has been administered by the University of Arkansas – Archeological Survey; that the dual responsibility is causing confusion and inefficiency in this vital role of maintaining our heritage and that transfer of funds and a position required to administer this responsibility to the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program must be done without delay in order to alleviate the current situation and to be in compliance with federal law. Therefore an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

APPROVED: February 11, 1987