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"AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF TWO (2) TOURIST INFORMATION CENTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts for the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department, the following:

(A) Effective July 1, 1987, the balance of the appropriation provided in Section 1 of Act 498 of 1985 for constructing a tourist information center located at or near the intersection of U.S. Highway 62 and State Highway 59 in Washington County, in a sum not to exceed.....\$285,000.

(B) Effective July 1, 1987, the balance of the appropriation provided in Section 1 of Act 614 of 1985 for constructing a tourist information center located at or near the Index Bridge on Highway 71 in Miller County or on Highway 71 in Little River County, in a sum not to exceed.....\$463,000.

SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded or obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that the Institutions and Agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income, and/or funds available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the said State Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of said project or projects. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds otherwise provided by the General Assembly for maintenance and general operation of the said Institutions and Agencies shall not be used for any of the purposes set out in this Act.

(B) The General Accounting Procedures Law, the State Purchasing Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, and other applicable fiscal laws of the State, or their successors, shall be strictly complied with, with respect to use of any funds provided by this Act.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Sixth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that previous General Assemblies have provided appropriations for the projects enumerated in this Act; that certain appropriations will expire before the adjournment of the Regular Session; and that if such appropriations expire, the programs authorized by such appropriations would cease, thereby depriving the citizens of the State of the benefits to be derived from such projects. 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 its passage and approval.