

Act 779 of the 1989 Regular Session.

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HB1849

By: Joint Budget Committee

"AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND ITS VARIOUS DIVISIONS FOR VARIOUS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION DIVISION - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education - Educational Television Division, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

- (A) For construction, acquisition of land, repairs, renovation, major maintenance and associated costs of relocating the KETS - Channel 2 transmitter, the sum of..... \$2,211,320.
- (B) For construction and to purchase and install television and satellite equipment for the Star Schools Project, the sum of \$580,000.
- (C) For construction, renovation and expansion of the AETN headquarters, the sum of..... \$3,255,000.
- (D) For maintenance of network equipment, the sum of..... \$500,000.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS - EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION DIVISION - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education - Educational Television Division, to be payable from federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the following:

- (A) For construction, acquisition of land, repairs, renovation, major maintenance and associated costs of relocating the KETS - Channel 2 transmitter, the sum of..... \$1,447,500.
- (B) For construction and to purchase and install television and satellite equipment for the Star Schools Project, the sum of..... \$650,000.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS - GENERAL EDUCATION DIVISION - FEDERAL. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education - General Education Division, to be payable from federal funds as designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, the following:

- (A) For the purchase and upgrade of computer related equipment, the sum of..... \$50,000.

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS - GENERAL EDUCATION DIVISION - BOND PROCEEDS. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education - General Education Division, to be payable from bond proceeds, the following:

- (A) For purchases, repairs and maintenance contracts for heating and cooling units for the Arch Ford Education Buildings A, B and C and the Luther S. Hardin Building, the sum of..... \$250,000.
- (B) For minor maintenance, repairs and purchase of materials for the interior and exterior of the Arch Ford Buildings A, B and C and the Luther S. Hardin Building, the sum of..... \$200,000.

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS - SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education - School for the Blind, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund

or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For construction and associated costs of the installation of an elevator in the Administration Building, the sum of..... \$57,000.

(B) For major maintenance, renovation and repair of various buildings on the campus, the sum of..... \$175,000.

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATIONS - SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT.

There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education - School for the Deaf, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For major maintenance, renovation, repairs and associated costs for asbestos removal in the various buildings on campus, the sum of..... \$784,879.

(B) For major maintenance, renovation, repairs, equipping and associated costs for school renovation, the sum of..... \$200,000.

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATIONS - ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education - Arkansas State Library, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For the purchase of library books and materials, the sum of \$365,000.

SECTION 8. APPROPRIATIONS - VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL POSTSECONDARY SCHOOLS. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Education - Vocational and Technical Education Division, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For major maintenance, renovation and repairs at the various Postsecondary Vocational Technical Schools, the sum of..... \$750,000.

(B) For instructional equipment for the various Postsecondary Vocational Technical Schools, the sum of..... \$1,000,000.

(C) For the purchase of buses for the various Postsecondary Vocational Technical Schools, the sum of..... \$150,000.

(D) For the construction of child care training facilities at the various Postsecondary Vocational Technical Schools, the sum of..... \$750,000.

(E) For new construction at the various Postsecondary Vocational Technical Schools, the sum of..... \$1,000,000.

SECTION 9. 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 10. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which

this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

SECTION 11. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 12. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Seventh General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1989 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1989 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. 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 July 1, 1989.

APPROVED: March 21, 1989
