

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 82nd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 1999  
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# A Bill

Act 549 of 1999  
HOUSE BILL 1741

5 By: Joint Budget Committee  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
10 EDUCATION - SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND FOR MAJOR  
11 MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES. "  
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## Subtitle

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15 "AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
16 - SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
17 APPROPRIATION.  
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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22 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby  
23 appropriated, to the Department of Education - School for the Blind, to be  
24 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund  
25 accounts, the following:

26 (A) For Major Maintenance, Repairs and Renovations of various School for  
27 the Blind facilities, the sum of..\$500,000.  
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29 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
30 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.

31 DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS. Expenditure of the funds authorized herein shall be  
32 made only upon documentation to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, in such  
33 form as deemed necessary, that all criteria or pre-conditions established in  
34 the appropriation act have been met or in the case of state agencies, that a  
35 Method of Finance has been filed with the Office of Accounting in the  
36 Department of Finance and Administration. Any matching funds as may be

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1 provided in law shall be certified to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State  
 2 prior to the commencement of the project. Further, any recipient of the funds  
 3 appropriated herein may be required to file a compliance audit indicating that  
 4 the use of the funds was in compliance with the intent of the General  
 5 Assembly.

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 7 SECTION 3. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor  
 8 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects  
 9 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available  
 10 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and  
 11 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and  
 12 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or  
 13 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
 14 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
 15 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
 16 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
 17 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
 18 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

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 26 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
 27 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
 28 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
 29 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
 30 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
 31 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
 32 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint  
 33 Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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 35 SECTION 5. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent  
 36 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas

1 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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3 SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this act or the application  
4 thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall  
5 not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given  
6 effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the  
7 provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

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9 SECTION 7. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with  
10 this act are hereby repealed.

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12 SECTION 8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the  
13 Eighty-second General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas  
14 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that  
15 the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1999 is essential to the operation of  
16 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in  
17 the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective  
18 date of this Act beyond July 1, 1999 could work irreparable harm upon the  
19 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
20 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being  
21 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
22 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1999.

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25 APPROVED: 3/11/1999

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