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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1010

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

8 AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL
9 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ARKANSAS
10 SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS SCIENCE AND
15 TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY REAPPROPRIATION.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. REAPPROPRIATION - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS. There is
22 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority, to be
23 payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund
24 accounts, for the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority the following:

25 (A) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
26 in Item (C) Section 1 of Act 75 of 2011, for Research Matching Grants to
27 provide state matching funds to leverage federal funds, in a sum not to
28 exceed.....\$450,210.

29 (B) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
30 in Item (D) Section 1 of Act 75 of 2011, for Centers for Applied Technology
31 Grants to support applied technology in areas of advanced materials and
32 manufacturing systems, agriculture, food sciences, environmental sciences,
33 biotechnology, bioengineering, life sciences and information technology, in a
34 sum not to exceed.....\$212,599.

35 (C) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
36 in Item (E) Section 1 of Act 75 of 2011, for Seed Capital Investments in



1 early-stage companies in Arkansas, in a sum not to exceed.....\$642,653.

2 (D) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
3 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 682 of 2011, for a grant to the Arkansas
4 Discovery Network for personal services, operating expenses, construction,
5 equipment, improvements, and maintenance expenses, in a sum not to exceed
6\$100,000.

7 (E) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
8 in Item (A) Section 8 of Act 852 of 2011, for a transfer to the Arkansas
9 Acceleration Fund for grants and incentives to accelerate the economy of the
10 State through technology and knowledge-based development, in a sum not to
11 exceed.....\$61,000,000.

12 (F) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
13 in Item (A) Section 7 of Act 852 of 2011, for a grant for Infrastructure
14 Technology expenses, in a sum not to exceed.....\$250,000.

15 (G) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
16 in Item (A) Section 3 of Act 852 of 2011, for Basic Research Grants to fund
17 original, innovative investigators for the advancement of scientific or
18 technological knowledge, in a sum not to exceed.....\$1,260,896.

19 (H) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
20 in Item (A) Section 2 of Act 852 of 2011, for biotechnology projects, basic
21 research projects and applied research, in a sum not to exceed
22\$2,530,920.

23 (I) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
24 in Item (A) Section 1 of Act 852 of 2011, for grants for research, research
25 infrastructure and talented researchers, in a sum not to exceed
26\$2,100,000.

27 (J) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
28 in Item (A) Section 6 of Act 852 of 2011, for matching funds for a grant from
29 the National Science Foundation, in a sum not to exceed.....\$1,600,000.

30 (K) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
31 in Item (A) Section 4 of Act 852 of 2011, for providing grants and assistance
32 to start-up technology oriented businesses, in a sum not to exceed
33\$3,000,000.

34 (L) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
35 in Item (A) Section 5 of Act 852 of 2011, for technology validation,
36 enterprise development investments and investments in technology based

1 businesses, in a sum not to exceed.....\$1,400,000.

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3 SECTION 2. REAPPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS RESEARCH ALLIANCE. There is
4 hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority, to be
5 payable from the Arkansas Research Infrastructure Fund, for the Arkansas
6 Science and Technology Authority the following:

7 (A) Effective July 1, 2012, the balance of the appropriation provided
8 in Item (A) Section 2 of Act 75 of 2011, for grants for research, research
9 infrastructure and talented researchers, in a sum not to exceed
10\$1,368,614.

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

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

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32 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
33 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
34 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
35 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
36 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget

1 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
 2 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
 3 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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5 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
 6 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
 7 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
 8 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2012 is essential to the operation of
 9 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
 10 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
 11 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2012 could work irreparable harm
 12 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
 13 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
 14 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
 15 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2012.
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