

1 State of Arkansas
2 94th General Assembly
3 Fiscal Session, 2024
4

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1094

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

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL
9 FUND GRANTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -
10 DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION -
11 PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND WHICH SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL AND IN
12 ADDITION TO THOSE FUNDS APPROPRIATED BY ACT 572 OF
13 2023; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION -
17 DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY
18 EDUCATION - PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND
19 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - GRANTS AND AID TO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND
26 SPECIAL PROGRAMS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of
27 Education, to be payable from the Division of Elementary and Secondary
28 Education Public School Fund Account, for grants and aid to local school
29 districts and special programs of the Department of Education - Division of
30 Elementary and Secondary Education which shall be supplemental and in
31 addition to those funds appropriated in Section 1 of Act 572 of 2023, the
32 following:
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ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2023-2024
(01) 98% URT ACTUAL COLLECTION ADJUSTMENT	\$6,000,000



1	(02) ASSESSMENT/END OF LEVEL TESTING	3,000,000
2	(03) DECLINING ENROLLMENT	5,000,000
3	(04) DISTANCE LEARNING	8,000,000
4	(05) ESA MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM	200,000
5	(06) PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING	1,000,000
6	(07) SPECIAL EDUCATION-CATASTROPHIC	3,000,000
7	(08) STUDENT GROWTH	<u>3,000,000</u>
8	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$29,200,000</u></u>

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10 SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
 11 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
 12 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
 13 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
 14 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
 15 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
 16 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
 17 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
 18 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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20 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
 21 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
 22 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
 23 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
 24 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
 25 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
 26 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
 27 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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29 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
 30 Assembly, that funds provided by the General Assembly for the operations of
 31 the Department of Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary Education
 32 are, due to unforeseen circumstances, insufficient for the Department of
 33 Education - Division of Elementary and Secondary Education to continue to
 34 provide essential governmental services; that the provisions of this act will
 35 provide the necessary monies for the Department of Education - Division of
 36 Elementary and Secondary Education to continue such services; and that a

1 delay in the effective date of this Act could work irreparable harm upon the
2 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.
3 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being
4 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and
5 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its
6 passage and approval.

7 If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall
8 become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the
9 Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the
10 veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date the last house
11 overrides the veto.

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