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For An Act To Be Entitled

16 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE ECONOMIC
17 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR CONSTRUCTION AND
18 OPERATION OF SENIOR CITIZEN CENTERS; AND FOR
19 OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

23 AN ACT FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
24 COMMISSION - CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF
25 SENIOR CITIZEN CENTERS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT
26 APPROPRIATION.
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30 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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32 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - SENIOR CITIZEN CENTERS. There is hereby
33 appropriated, to the Economic Development Commission, to be payable from the
34 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
35 following:

36 (A) for grants for defraying the cost of constructing and operating



1 Senior Citizen Centers, in a sum not to exceed.....\$5,000,000.

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 3 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
 4 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. GRANTS.

5 The grants authorized in Section 1 of this Act shall not be restricted by
 6 requirements that may be applicable to other grant programs currently
 7 administered by the Economic Development Commission and such grants shall be
 8 equally distributed to Senior Citizen Centers. The Economic Development
 9 Commission may adopt rules and regulations to carry out the intent of the
 10 General Assembly regarding the grant appropriations authorized in Section 1
 11 of this Act.

12 No less than thirty (30) days prior to the distribution of any funds
 13 appropriated by this act, the director of the agency shall notify the Speaker
 14 of the House of Representatives of the name and address of each recipient and
 15 the amount that is being distributed to each recipient.

16 The Area Agencies on Aging shall report to the Economic Development
 17 Commission prior to September 1 those Senior Citizen Centers in their
 18 respective areas that are eligible to receive funding authorized by this act.

19 The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2011
 20 through June 30, 2012.

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

34 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State
 35 Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the
 36 Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of

1 this State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and
2 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in
3 disbursement of any funds provided by this act unless specifically provided
4 otherwise by law.

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

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15 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
16 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
17 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
18 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2011 is essential to the operation of
19 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
20 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
21 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2011 could work irreparable harm
22 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
23 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
24 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
25 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2011.