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For An Act To Be Entitled

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16 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
17 PARKS AND TOURISM FOR COMMUNITY GRANTS; AND FOR OTHER
18 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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22 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND
23 TOURISM - COMMUNITY GRANTS GENERAL
24 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.
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28 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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30 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - COMMUNITY GRANTS. There is hereby
31 appropriated, to the Department of Parks and Tourism, to be payable from the
32 General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the
33 following:

34 (A) for grants for construction, renovation, maintenance and purchase
35 of equipment for parks and recreational facilities, in a sum not to exceed
36\$15,000,000.



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2 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE
3 ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW.
4 Notwithstanding any other rules, regulations or provision of law to the
5 contrary the appropriations authorized in this Act shall not be restricted by
6 requirements that may be applicable to other programs currently administered.
7 New rules and regulations may be adopted to carry out the intent of the
8 General Assembly regarding the appropriations authorized in this Act.

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

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

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

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

1 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
2 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
3 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
4 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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6 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
7 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
8 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
9 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2013 is essential to the operation of
10 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
11 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
12 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2013 could work irreparable harm
13 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
14 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
15 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
16 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2013.
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