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A Bill

SENATE BILL 753

5 By: Senator J. Dismang
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
9 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER FOR A
10 GRANT TO THE ARKANSAS HEALTH INSURANCE ALLIANCE; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
15 ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER -
16 ARKANSAS HEALTH INSURANCE ALLIANCE GRANT
17 GENERAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - ARKANSAS HEALTH INSURANCE ALLIANCE GRANT.

23 There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration
24 - Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its
25 successor fund or fund accounts, the following:
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27 (A) for a grant to facilitate the access to and enrollment in health
28 care plans in the individual market in this state and include a small
29 business health options program to assist small employers in this state in
30 facilitating the enrollment of their employees in health plans offered by the
31 small employer market, in a sum not to exceed.....\$500,000.
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33 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
34 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
35 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
36 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and



1 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
 2 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
 3 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
 4 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
 5 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
 6 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
 7 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
 8 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this act.

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

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

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 25 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
 26 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
 27 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
 28 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2013 is essential to the operation of
 29 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
 30 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
 31 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2013 could work irreparable harm
 32 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
 33 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
 34 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
 35 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2013.