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2 91st General Assembly
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As Engrossed: H3/27/17
A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1705

5 By: Representative Lemons
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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
9 AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
10 SERVICES - DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES -
11 SUICIDE PREVENTION SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
12 ENDING JUNE 30, 2018; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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15 **Subtitle**

16 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
17 SERVICES - DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
18 SERVICES - SUICIDE PREVENTION SERVICES
19 APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2017-2018 FISCAL
20 YEAR.
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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 - SUICIDE PREVENTION SERVICES. There is hereby
26 appropriated, to the Department of Human Services - Division of Behavioral
27 Health Services, to be payable from the Behavioral Health Services Fund
28 Account, for personal services, operating expenses, professional fees and
29 *grants for programs, resources and technology, to promote emotional health*
30 *and well-being, increase help seeking behaviors and access to service, and*
31 *innovate measures intended for the prevention and reduction of the burden of*
32 *suicidal behaviors and achievement of the goals articulated in the National*
33 *Strategy for Suicide Prevention and the Arkansas State Plan for Suicide*
34 *Prevention for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the sum of...\$2,300,000.*
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36 SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds



1 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
2 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
3 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
4 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
5 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
6 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
7 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
8 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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19 SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
20 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
21 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the
22 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2017 is essential to the operation of
23 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
24 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
25 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2017 could work irreparable harm
26 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
27 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
28 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
29 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2017.

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31 /s/Lemons

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34 **APPROVED: 04/06/2017**