

Hall of the House of Representatives

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Amendment Form

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1755

"AN ACT FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS – DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE -
ARKANSAS BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE APPROPRIATION."

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1755.

Amend House Bill No. 1755 as originally introduced:

Insert the following additional sections immediately following Section 2 to read as follows:

" SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE . NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS. The appropriations provided in this act shall not be transferred under the provisions of Arkansas Code 19-4-522 or the provisions of Arkansas Code 6-62-104, but only as provided by this act.

SECTION 4. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. TRANSFER PROVISIONS. The state-supported institution of higher education in this act may transfer appropriations between the various line items within each appropriation contained in this appropriation act. Such transfers shall be made only after the approval of the Department of Higher Education and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and the approval of the Legislative Council.

The General Assembly has determined that the institution in this act could be operated more efficiently if some flexibility is given to that institution and that flexibility is being accomplished by providing authority to transfer between items of appropriation made by this act. Since the General Assembly has granted the institution broad powers under the transfer of appropriations, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight of the utilization of the transfers by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council in the utilization of the transfer authority. Therefore, the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council is ruled unconstitutional by a court jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

SECTION 5. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. POSITIONS. Nothing in this act shall be construed as a commitment of the State of

Arkansas or any of its agencies or institutions to continue funding any position paid from the proceeds of the Tobacco Settlement in the event that Tobacco Settlement funds are not sufficient to finance the position."

AND

Appropriately renumber the subsequent sections.

The Amendment was read _____

By: Joint Budget Committee

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