

Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: SB340

Bill Subtitle: TO AMEND THE GUARANTEED ENERGY COST SAVINGS ACT AND TO ALLOW STATE AGENCIES TO USE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS FOR DEBT SERVICE RELATED TO A GUARANTEED ENERGY COST SAVINGS CONTRACT.

Basic Change :

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Adding Arkansas Code 19-4-522 (d) (1) (S) provides for the payment of the installment contract payments to be classified as M & O expenditures for appropriation purposes. Thus the realized savings in energy cost become the funds available to pay the installment contract with the provider of the cost savings equipment, repairs and maintenance measures installed at the agency. No bonds are issued in this type of purchase.

Additions to Arkansas Code 19-11-1202 (1) (A) (i) (b) adds the requirement that the AEO adopt measureable and verifiable standards in the rules required by Arkansas Code 19-11-1207.

Additions and changes to Arkansas Code 19-11-1202 (5) adds additional review requirements of the AEO to qualify providers of the energy cost savings equipment

Changes to Arkansas Code 19-11-1205 enhances the evaluation process and response to solicitations of qualified providers.

Additions to Arkansas Code 19-11-1206 provide the required elements of a Guaranteed Energy Cost Savings Contract and limits the contract period to 20 years.

Revenue Impact :

None

Taxpayer Impact :

None

Resources Required :

None

Time Required :

None

Procedural Changes :

None

Other Comments :

None

Legal Analysis :

None