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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1080

5 By: Representatives Ladyman, Bentley, Eaton, Magie, M. McElroy, McGrew, Perry, R. Scott Richardson,
6 Rye, Springer, Womack, Wooten
7 By: Senator D. Sullivan
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE JONESBORO
11 HUMAN DEVELOPMENT CENTER - PHASE 2 FOR THE DEPARTMENT
12 OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL
13 DISABILITIES SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE
14 30, 2027; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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18 AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
19 SERVICES - DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL
20 DISABILITIES SERVICES - JONESBORO HUMAN
21 DEVELOPMENT CENTER APPROPRIATION FOR THE
22 2026-2027 FISCAL YEAR.
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - JONESBORO HUMAN DEVELOPMENT CENTER - PHASE
28 2. There is hereby appropriated, to the Department of Human Services, to be
29 payable from the cash fund deposited in the State Treasury as determined by
30 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for continued implementation of the
31 master plan at the Jonesboro Human Development Center including costs
32 associated with planning, demolition, construction, replacement, renovation,
33 upgrade, and addition of facilities of the Department of Human Services -
34 Division of Developmental Disabilities Services for the fiscal year ending
35 June 30, 2027, the following:
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| 1 | ITEM | FISCAL YEAR |
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| 2 | <u>NO.</u> | 2026-2027 |
| 3 | (01) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS | <u>\$20,000,000</u> |
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5 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS
6 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. FUND
7 TRANSFER - JONESBORO HUMAN DEVELOPMENT CENTER - PHASE 2. Immediately upon the
8 effective date of this Act, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall
9 transfer on his or her books and those of the Treasurer of State and the
10 Auditor of the State the sum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) from the
11 General Revenue Allotment Reserve Fund to a cash fund deposited in the State
12 Treasury as determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State for continued
13 implementation of the master plan at the Jonesboro Human Development Center.
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15 SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
16 authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
17 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
18 the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and
19 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
20 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
21 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
22 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
23 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.
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25 SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
26 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
27 contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
28 which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
29 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
30 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
31 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
32 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.
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34 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
35 Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the
36 appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the

1 effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2026 is essential to the operation of
2 the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in
3 the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the
4 effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2026 could work irreparable harm
5 upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental
6 programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act
7 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health
8 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2026.

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