

State of Arkansas

76th General Assembly

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HOUSE BILL 1280

By: Representatives Doramus and Foster

"AN ACT TO LIMIT THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO ALL STATE AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, DEPARTMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CONFERENCE AND TRAVEL EXPENSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. No State agency, board, commission, department, or institution of higher education, shall expend funds appropriated for conference and travel expenses in excess of two-thirds of its expenditures for conference and travel expenses for fiscal year 1985-86. Such funds shall be expended under the provisions cited in Item (2) of Subparagraph (d) of Paragraph (2) of Subsection (F) of Section 12 of Act 876 of 1973, as amended, the same being the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Act of Arkansas.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Sixth General Assembly that the most efficient use of state dollars is absolutely essential in a time of revenue shortfalls, and that a reduction of expenditures in conference and travel expenses could result in an estimated savings of \$1,300,000 in state funds which when used to match federal funds at a 75/25 Federal/State ratio could generate \$5,200,000 to be used to provide services to needy citizens of the State of Arkansas through the State Medicaid program. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

