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By: Senator Malone

SENATE BILL 367

"AN ACT TO CREATE THE JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITIES LOAN FUND; TO AUTHORIZE THE OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES TO ADMINISTER THE FUND AND MONITOR FACILITIES CONSTRUCTED OR RENOVATED WITH PROCEEDS FROM THE FUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby established on the books of the State Treasurer and Chief Fiscal Officer, a fund to be known as the Juvenile Detention Facilities Fund. Such fund shall be used for interest free construction loans not to exceed five (5) year terms to counties or regions comprised of counties who have entered a cooperative agreement for construction of, renovation of, equipping or purchase of land for juvenile detention facilities. The fund shall consist of such general revenues as may be provided by law.

SECTION 2. State funds for construction of, renovation of, equipping or purchase of land for juvenile detention facilities of up to and including \$250,000 per county or up to and including \$1,000,000 per multi-county or regional facility shall be available upon the following conditions:

(A) approval by the Office of Youth Services of the county areas to be served by the juvenile detention facility;

(B) assurance to the Office of Youth Services that the proposed facility will meet standards promulgated by the Juvenile Detention Facilities Review Commission; and

(C) submission to the Office of Youth Services and the Chief Fiscal Officer of a proposed repayment plan which shall not exceed five (5) years from the date the loan proceeds are tendered to the applicant.

SECTION 3. (A) The Office of Youth Services of the Division of Children and Family Services of the Department of Human Services shall be the designated agency to review and approve applications for these loans for juvenile detention facilities.

(B) The Office of Youth Services shall assist counties or regions in developing plans to provide suitable housing and other physical facilities to meet the juvenile detention facility standards developed by the Juvenile Detention Facilities Review Commission.

(C) The Office of Youth Services shall develop a program to monitor and certify for a specified period any facility constructed, renovated or equipped through use of the funds provided in this Act.

(D) The Office of Youth Services shall promulgate rules and regulations and any forms necessary to implement the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

