

State of Arkansas
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SENATE BILL 595

By: Joint Budget Committee

As engrossed 3-16-87 As engrossed 4-3-87

"AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION FOR CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - GENERAL IMPROVEMENT. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Correction, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For constructing and equipping a Regional Jail at Pine Bluff, the sum of.....\$2,400,000.

(B) For constructing and equipping a Special Programs Unit, the sum of.....\$432,000.

(C) For constructing and equipping Regional Inmate Facilities, the sum of.....\$9,000,000.

(D) For installation of a complete low energy modular fire alarm system at the Wrightville Unit.....\$17,000.

(E) For the purchase of major kitchen equipment located at the various units of the Department of Correction, the sum of.....\$140,000.

(F) For the payment of claims against the State as provided in the settlement of the Jones & Davis class action suit against employees and the Board of the Department of Correction.....\$1,035,000.

SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contracts may be awarded or obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available therefore as provided by law. Provided, however, that the Institutions and Agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income, and/or funds available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the said

State Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of said project or projects. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds otherwise provided by the General Assembly for maintenance and general operation of the said Institutions and Agencies shall not be used for any of the purposes set out in this Act.

(B) The General Accounting Procedures Law, the State Purchasing Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, and other applicable fiscal laws of the State shall be strictly complied with, with respect to use of any funds provided by this Act.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Sixth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1987 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1987 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. 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 July 1, 1987.

/s/ Howell

