

State of Arkansas
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By: Joint Budget Committee

SENATE BILL 531

"AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE VARIOUS STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR VARIOUS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - VARIOUS INSTITUTIONS. There is hereby appropriated to the various Institutions of Higher Education, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For the purchase of additional library volumes, the sum of \$3,000,000.

(B) For the purchase of instructional, clinical and agricultural research equipment, the sum of.....\$8,500,000.

(C) For major maintenance, the sum of.....\$10,000,000.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS - SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY - TECHNICAL BRANCH. There is hereby appropriated to the Southern Arkansas University - Technical Branch, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For constructing, furnishing and equipping a Technical Engineering Building, the sum of.....\$4,000,000.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT FAYETTEVILLE. There is hereby appropriated to University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For constructing, equipping and maintaining a Cooperative Extension Service - Lonoke Center Laboratory, the sum of.....\$388,930.

(B) For constructing, equipping and maintaining an Agricultural Experiment Station Vegetable Grading-Packing Station, the sum of...\$350,000.

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES. There is hereby appropriated to the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For constructing, equipping, furnishing, renovating and other associated costs for the Emergency Room renovation and to meet Hospital Fire/Life Safety Codes, the sum of.....\$2,500,000.

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT MONTICELLO. There is hereby appropriated to the University of Arkansas at Monticello, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For the renovation and replacement of the central utilities distribution system, the sum of.....\$2,500,000.

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATIONS - UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK. There is hereby appropriated to the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For constructing, renovating, remodeling and associated costs of the present Graduate Institute of Technology Building located on McAlmont Street in Little Rock, Arkansas in order to provide additional space for the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law, the sum of.....\$3,000,000.

SECTION 7. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract 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 therefor 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, or their successors, shall be strictly complied with, with respect to use of any funds provided by this Act.

SECTION 8. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

SECTION 9. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 10. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Seventh 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, 1989 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, 1989 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, 1989.