

1 **State of Arkansas**  
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4 **By: Representatives Mahony, Thicksten, McGinnis, Stephens, Dawson and Cunningham**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

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## 7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ARKANSAS  
9 TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO PROVIDE A LOAN TO THE  
10 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR A STATEWIDE COMPUTER NETWORK;  
11 TO AUTHORIZE A LOAN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
12 TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL A COMPUTER SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER  
13 PURPOSES."

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

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17 SECTION 1. (a) The Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Teacher  
18 Retirement System is authorized to loan to the Department of Education, from  
19 the Teacher Retirement Trust Fund, sufficient funds not to exceed twenty  
20 million dollars (\$20,000,000) for a state-wide computer system capable of  
21 linking all public school systems and the State Department of Education.

22 (b) Such loan shall be under the terms as agreed upon by the Board of  
23 Trustees of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System and the State Board of  
24 Education, however, only payments on interest shall be made annually until the  
25 project is completed. Interest for the loan shall be at the rate of eight  
26 percent (8%).

27 (c) The Department of Education shall determine the specifications for  
28 the computer system to be purchased with the loan.

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30 SECTION 2. (a) The Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Teacher  
31 Retirement System is authorized to loan to the Department of Higher Education  
32 from the Teacher Retirement Trust Fund, sufficient funds to purchase and  
33 install a computer system for the Department of Higher Education.

34 (b) Such loan shall be under the terms as agreed upon by the Board of  
35 Trustees of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System and the State Board of

1 Higher Education, however, only payments on interest shall be made annually  
2 until the project is completed. Interest for the loan shall be at the rate of  
3 eight percent (8%).

4           (c) The Department of Higher Education shall determine the  
5 specifications for the computer system to be purchased with the loan.

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7           SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
8 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
9 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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11           SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
12 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
13 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
14 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
15 act are declared to be severable.

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17           SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
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