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2 **79th General Assembly**
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4 **By: Representatives Stalnaker, Hendrix, Blair and Pollan**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1883

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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 8-6-609 TO ESTABLISH AN
9 ENTITLEMENT GRANT ALLOCATION UNDER THE SOLID WASTE
10 MANAGEMENT RECYCLING FUND ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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12 **Subtitle**

13 "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN ENTITLEMENT GRANT ALLOCATION UNDER
14 THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RECYCLING FUND ACT."

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

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18 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 8-6-609 is amended to read as follows:

19 "8-6-609. Grant program.

20 (a) There is hereby created a grant program of assistance for districts
21 and local governments, and their delegated authorities and agents to develop
22 solid waste management plans, programs, and facilities that integrate
23 recycling as a functional part of the solid waste management system, provided
24 that the legislative preference for regional or multi-county solid waste
25 management planning is implemented in the administration of this grant
26 program.

27 (b) Any county, city, multi-county, regional, or other solid waste
28 authority is eligible for a grant pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by
29 the commission and administered by the department. Funds collected under the
30 provisions of §8-6-607 and deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of
31 the Solid Waste Management Recycling Fund, less up to twenty-five percent
32 (25%) for administrative support for the department, shall be annually
33 allocated to each of the approved Regional Solid Waste Management Districts
34 for costs eligible for grant assistance utilizing a combination of two (2)
35 methods, hereafter referred to as Method A and Method B. Fifty percent (50%)

1 of set aside funds will be determined using Method A and fifty percent (50%)
2 will be determined using Method B. The total figures obtained from each
3 method will be combined to arrive at each Regional Solid Waste Management
4 District_s fund distribution.

5 (1) Method A:

6 (A) The department shall determine the amount of funds within
7 each Planning and Development District organized under Arkansas Code 14-166-
8 201 et seq., and recognized by the Governor based upon the same distribution
9 as general revenue support is distributed to the Planning and Development
10 Districts in the current fiscal year.

11 (b) The department shall adjust the distribution within the
12 Planning and Development Districts (PDD_s) to coincide with the boundaries of
13 the Regional Solid Waste Management Districts (RSWMD) by determining each
14 county_s share of the funds available within each PDD. Each county_s share
15 shall be based upon the proportion that each county_s population bears to the
16 total population in the PDD to which the county is assigned, multiplied by the
17 amount of funds determined to be available within the PDD. The county_s
18 proportional share, as determined, shall be added to all other counties_ share
19 within the same RSWMD.

20 Formula For Method A:

21 (i) Begin with fifty percent (50%) of the total remaining grant funds.

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9 (iii) Multiply this result by the 1990 or current decennial census
10 population of each county.

11 (iv) Divide this result by the PDD population in which the county is
12 located. (This determines the portion per county).

13 (v) Individual county portions are grouped and totaled by each new
14 Regional Solid Waste Management District to give each RSWMD_s allocation.

15 (2) Method B:

16 The remaining fifty percent (50%) of set-aside funds in a grant
17 round shall be based upon the ratio of the 1990 or current decennial
18 district_s population divided by the 1990 or current decennial state
19 population.

20 Formula for Method B:

21 (i) Begin with each Solid Waste Management District_s total
22 population.

23 (ii) Divide by the state_s 1990 or current decennial census population
24 (to get the ratio).

25 (iii) Multiply by the total remaining grant funds.

26 (iv) Equals each Regional Solid Waste Management District_s
27 allocation.

28 (3) Funds set aside for each district in a grant round that are not
29 awarded to the district will be rolled over to the next grant round.

30 (4) Funds set aside to two (2) or more districts in a grant round may
31 be combined to fund a joint application, provided the joint application has
32 been signed by the Regional Solid Waste Management Board chairman for each
33 district.

34 (c)(1) Costs eligible for grant assistance include, but are not limited
35 to, costs for solid waste management planning that integrate recycling, costs

1 for public information and education programs that encourage waste reduction
2 and stimulate demand for products produced from recycled materials, costs of
3 waste transfer facilities that integrate recycling in their operations, costs
4 of recycling equipment, and recycling program and market development costs.

5 (2) Grant assistance shall not be provided for the purpose of purchasing
6 mechanical processing equipment or facilities if existing mechanical
7 processing equipment or facilities adequately serve the relevant area, unless
8 the department determines that the equipment or facility is an indispensable
9 component of an otherwise eligible grant project and would more efficiently
10 serve the relevant area.

11 (3) The total amount of grants for administrative costs set out for all
12 districts shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) per annum.
13 The department is hereby granted authority to develop regulations in
14 accordance herewith.

15 (4) Each Regional Solid Waste Management district may use up to twenty-
16 five percent (25%) of its annual allocation for the administration of its
17 regional solid waste management plan as approved by the department.

18 (5) Each Regional Solid Waste Management District is responsible for
19 the grant application process and acceptance of grant applications from their
20 district members. The district shall prioritize and select grant projects
21 from their district members for submission to the department, such selection
22 being the sole discretion of the district.

23 (6) Once grant project applications are submitted to the department,
24 the department shall approve of those projects which comply with the
25 requirements and intent of this subchapter."

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27 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent
28 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
29 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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31 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
32 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
33 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
34 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
35 act are declared to be severable.

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2 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
3 hereby repealed.

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10 /s/Rep. Stalnaker, et al

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