

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
3 **First Extraordinary Session, 1994**  
4 **By: Joint Budget Committee**

**Call Item 3**

# **A Bill**

**SENATE BILL 10**

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

8 "AN ACT TO ALLOW FUNDS AND APPROPRIATION TO BE USED BY THE  
9 ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ADDRESS DISPARITIES IN  
10 ALLOCATIONS MADE TO VARIOUS SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE STATE  
11 AS A RESULT OF ADMINISTERING A PORTION OF THE SCHOOL  
12 FINANCE ACT OF 1984 FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE BIENNIAL  
13 PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1995, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## **Subtitle**

16 "AN ACT TO ALLOW FUNDS AND APPROPRIATION TO BE USED BY THE  
17 ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION."

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

21 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provisions of A.C.A. §6-20-301 et.  
22 seq. (the School Finance Act of 1984), the Arkansas Department of Education,  
23 with the approval of the Governor and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State,  
24 is hereby authorized to expend from the funds and appropriations provided in  
25 Item (4) of Section 1 of Act 1312 of 1993, for the purpose of providing  
26 additional amounts to those school districts that will suffer a loss of funds  
27 due to a change in A.C.A. 6-20-302 by this Extraordinary Session, the  
28 following: (1) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1994, an amount not to  
29 exceed Three Million Seven-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,700,000); and (2) for  
30 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, an amount not to exceed Two Million  
31 Eight Hundred Thirty Three Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Three Dollars  
32 (\$2,833,333). The additional amounts for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
33 1995, shall not exceed eighty-five percent (85%) of lost funds as determined  
34 by the Department of Education for any school district.

1 SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds  
2 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency  
3 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and  
4 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and  
5 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
6 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control  
7 laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the  
8 Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
9 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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11 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
12 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
13 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which  
14 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
15 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
16 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
17 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
18 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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20 SECTION 4. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent  
21 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas  
22 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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24 SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the  
25 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such  
26 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which  
27 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this  
28 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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30 SECTION 6. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict  
31 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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33 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the  
34 Seventy-Ninth General Assembly, meeting in First Extraordinary Session, that  
35 the provisions of this Act are of critical importance in providing a "general,

1 suitable and efficient system of free public schools" as provided for in the  
2 Arkansas Constitution and that to accomplish the appropriate expenditure of  
3 public funds, the provisions of this Act are necessary. Therefore, an  
4 emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act being necessary for the  
5 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall be in  
6 full force and effect from and after the effective date of legislation enacted  
7 by this Extraordinary Session which equalizes the charges levied against real  
8 property, personal property, and utility and regulated carriers to 25 mills.

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