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4 By: Joint Budget Committee

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PAYING SURETY BOND
9 PREMIUMS FOR STATE, COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES AND PUBLIC
10 SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING IN A BLANKET SURETY BOND PROGRAM FOR
11 THEIR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE
12 30, 1997; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

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"AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
AND ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 1995-97 BIENNIUM."

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

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SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the
Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable
from the Miscellaneous Revolving Fund, for payment of blanket surety bond
premiums for the State of Arkansas for the biennial period ending June 30,
1997, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	1995-96	1996-97
(01) SURETY BOND PREMIUMS	\$ 250,000	\$
<u>250,000</u>		

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SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the
Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable
from the County Aid Fund, for payment of blanket surety bond premiums for
those counties participating in the County Public Employee Blanket Bond

1 Program for the biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the following:

3 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
4 NO.	1995-96	1996-97
5 (01) SURETY BOND PREMIUMS	<u>\$ 250,000</u>	<u>\$</u>
6 <u>250,000</u>		

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8 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the

9 Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable

10 from the Municipal Aid Fund, for payment of blanket surety bond premiums for

11 those municipalities participating in the Municipal Public Employees

12 ~~Blanket Bond Program for the biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the~~

13 following:

15 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
16 NO.	1995-96	1996-97
17 (01) SURETY BOND PREMIUMS	<u>\$ 250,000</u>	<u>\$</u>
18 <u>250,000</u>		

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20 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the

21 Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable

22 ~~from the Public School Fund, for payment of blanket surety bond premiums for~~

23 those school districts participating in the Public School Employees Program

24 for the biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the following:

26 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
27 NO.	1995-96	1996-97
28 (01) SURETY BOND PREMIUMS	<u>\$ 250,000</u>	<u>\$</u>
29 <u>250,000</u>		

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31 SECTION 5. DFA/BONDS-BILLING PROCEDURES. The State Risk Manager of

32 the Department of Insurance shall submit to the Department of Finance and

33 Administration a separate billing certification of the costs of blanket bond

34 surety premiums for the State of Arkansas and for the Counties,

35 Municipalities, and Public School Districts participating in the blanket

1 surety bond program for public employees. Upon receipt of such billing
2 certification, the disbursing officer of the Department of Finance and
3 Administration shall prepare a voucher for paying the surety bond premium and
4 attaching thereto a copy of the billing certification received from the State
5 Risk Manager. The Department of Finance and Administration shall forward a
6 copy of the voucher and supporting documentation for payment of County and
7 Municipal Public Employee Blanket Bond Surety Premiums to the State
8 Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall withhold from the General Revenue
9 Turnback of the County Aid Fund and the Municipal Aid Fund the respective
10 amount of surety bond premiums for each political jurisdiction participating
11 in the County or Municipal Public Employee Blanket Bond Program. The
12 Department of Finance and Administration shall forward a copy of the voucher
13 and supporting documentation for payment of Public School Employee Blanket
14 Bond Surety Premiums to the Department of Education. The Department of
15 Education shall withhold from the Public School Fund monies accruing to the
16 benefit of each school district participating in the Public School Employees
17 Blanket Bond Program the respective costs for each school districts' bond
18 surety premium. All state agencies, boards, commissions and institutions of
19 higher education shall reimburse the Miscellaneous Revolving Fund, in such
20 amounts as may be determined by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, for
21 payments of blanket bond surety premiums as provided in Section 1 of this
22 Act, by a fund transfer or warrant made payable from the fund from which each
23 state agency, board, commission or institution of higher education receives
24 its financial support.

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26 SECTION 6. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
27 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
28 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
29 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and
30 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
31 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
32 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
33 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
34 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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1 SECTION 7. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
2 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
3 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
4 which this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
5 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget
6 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
7 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
8 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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10 SECTION 8. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and
11 permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and
12 the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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14 SECTION 9. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the
15 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such
16 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which
17 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this
18 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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20 SECTION 10. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict
21 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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23 SECTION 11. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by
24 the Eightieth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of
25 Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year
26 period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1995 is essential to
27 the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are
28 provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the
29 delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1995 could work
30 irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential
31 governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist
32 and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
33 peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after
34 July 1, 1995.

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