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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1240

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS
AND EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
ADMINISTRATION - DISBURSING OFFICER FOR THE BIENNIAL
PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1997; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the
Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer, to be payable
from the State General Services Fund Account, for miscellaneous grants and
expenses for the biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	1995-96	1996-97
(01) INTERSTATE METRO PLANNING GRANTS	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000
(02) AR PUBLIC ADMIN CONSORTIUM	75,000	
(03) NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON UNIFORM LAWS	21,577	
(04) RURAL COMMUNITY PROJECTS GRANTS	300,000	
(05) INTRASTATE METRO PLANNING GRANTS	90,000	

1	90,000	
2	(06) PUBLIC DEFENDER CONTRACT	20,000
3	20,000	
4	(07) CRIMINAL DETENTION COMMITTEE EXPENSE	18,878
5	18,878	
6	(08) AGRICULTURAL MARKETING GRANTS	375,000
7	375,000	
8	(09) PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT GRANTS	360,000
9	<u>360,000</u>	
10	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,350,455 \$</u>
11	<u>1,350,455</u>	

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13 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS - CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL. There is hereby

14 appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing

15 Officer, to be payable from the State General Services Fund Account, for

16 miscellaneous grants to Arkansas Children's Hospital for the biennial period

17 ending June 30, 1997, the following:

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19	ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
20	NO.	1995-96	1996-97
21	(01) CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL PAYMENTS	\$ 506,126	\$
22	506,126		
23	(02) INTENSIVE CARE NURSERY	935,565	
24	935,565		
25	(03) REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH MONITORING GRANT	<u>92,023</u>	
26	<u>92,023</u>		
27	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,533,714</u>	<u>\$</u>
28	<u>1,533,714</u>		

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30 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS - INDIGENT PATIENTS. There is hereby

31 appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing

32 Officer, to be payable from the Indigent Patient's Fund, for defraying the

33 cost of hospitalization and medical services of indigent Arkansas patients

34 under contract with out of state hospitals for the biennial period ending

35 June 30, 1997, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	1995-96	1996-97
(01) CRITTENDEN COUNTY EMS	\$ 150,000	\$
150,000		
(02) INDIGENT PATIENT HOSPITALIZATION	700,000	
700,000		
(03) EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES	<u>150,000</u>	
<u>150,000</u>		
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$ 1,000,000</u>	<u>\$</u>
<u>1,000,000</u>		

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~~SECTION 4. APPROPRIATIONS - ESCAPEES TRIAL. There is hereby~~
 14 appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing
 15 Officer, to be payable from the Trial Expense Assistance Fund, for making
 16 reimbursements to counties for costs incurred in felony trials that exceed
 17 limits and for all expenses incurred by counties in holding and bringing to
 18 trial persons charged with escape from the Department of Correction as
 19 authorized by law, for the biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the
 20 following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	1995-96	1996-97
(01) REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$</u>
<u>100,000</u>		

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS - MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND HISTORY. There is
 27 hereby appropriated, to the Department of Finance and Administration -
 28 Disbursing Officer, to be payable from the State General Services Fund
 29 Account, for grants to the Arkansas Museum of Science and History Statewide
 30 Neighborhood Environmental Science Activity Program for the biennial period
 31 ending June 30, 1997, the following:

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ITEM	FISCAL YEARS	
NO.	1995-96	1996-97
(01) NEIGHBORHOOD ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE		

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1 (01) VO-TECH TRAINING GRANTS \$ 10,000 \$ 10,000
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3 SECTION 9. RESTRICTIONS. The appropriation provided in Item (06) of
4 Section 1 herein shall be expended only for the purpose of contracting with
5 the Public Defender of Pulaski County to provide defense for the mentally
6 ill. The appropriations made by Items (01), (05) and (09), of Section 1 are
7 to provide state assistance grants to: (A) each Planning and Development
8 District organized under Ark. Code §§14-166-201 et seq., and recognized by
9 the Governor and, (B) locally formed organizations organized under The
10 Interlocal Cooperation Act (Ark. Code §§25-20-101 et seq.), or other Acts
11 which permit interstate cooperation among local governments and intrastate
12 cooperation. Such grants are to be made in equal payments within each
13 category of organization.

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15 SECTION 10. DFA/GRANTS-INDIGENT PATIENTS DISTRIBUTION. From the funds
16 derived from the pari-mutuel tax on additional days of dog racing as
17 authorized by law and deposited in the Indigent Patient's Fund, as authorized
18 by Arkansas Code §§23-111-505, the following shall be made available each
19 fiscal year:

20 (a) \$500,000 for defraying the cost of hospitalization and medical
21 services of indigent Arkansas patients in out-of-state hospitals and may
22 include provisions for non-emergency transportation for medical purposes.
23 Provided however, that such transportation shall not exceed a 200 mile radius
24 from the patient's point of origin.

25 (b) Funds in excess of \$500,000 shall be allotted to the Crittenden
26 County EMS up to \$100,000 per fiscal year;

27 (c) Funds in excess of \$600,000 shall be allocated to fund any
28 contract obligations over and above the total amount allowed in Section 3
29 Item (2) to defray the cost of hospitalization and medical services of
30 indigent Arkansas patients in out-of-state hospitals, not to exceed
31 \$200,000 per fiscal year;

32 (d) If there are funds available after the distributions have been
33 made as specified in subsection (a), (b), and (c) above, the available
34 amount shall be used for the support and operation of the Emergency
35 Medical Services Programs of Cross, Lee, Mississippi, Poinsett, and St.

1 Francis counties, not to exceed \$150,000 per fiscal year; and additional
2 support for the Emergency Medical Services Program of Crittenden County, not
3 to exceed \$50,000 per fiscal year;

4 (e) Upon receipt of said monies as allowed in subsection (d), the
5 treasurer of each county shall deposit the same in a special account to be
6 known as the "County Emergency Medical Services Fund", to be
7 used for providing emergency medical services within those counties in
8 accordance with appropriations made therefore by the quorum court of the
9 appropriate county; and

10 (f) In the event there are funds remaining after the distributions have
11 been made as specified in subsections (a), (b), (c), and (d) herein, the
12 balance shall be carried forward to the next fiscal year to be used for the
13 same purposes.

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15 SECTION 11. DISBURSING PROCEDURES. A lump sum monthly installment of
16 1/12 of the annual funded appropriation for the Arkansas Children's Hospital,
17 as provided for in Section 2 of this Act, shall be provided to the Arkansas
18 Children's Hospital by the Disbursing Officer for use in partial payment of
19 the total annual cost of operations.

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21 SECTION 12. The Chief Fiscal Officer of the State shall establish
22 disbursement procedures for the appropriations provided in Section 6 of this
23 Act, and shall submit them to the Joint Interim Committee for City, County,
24 and Local Affairs for review. Each county which establishes a County Beaver
25 Eradication Program shall be eligible to receive state reimbursements from
26 monies appropriated in Section 6 of this Act, of up to five dollars (\$5.00)
27 per beaver carcass.

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29 SECTION 13. Funds appropriated in Section 7 of this Act shall be used
30 to provide grants/reimbursements for transportation of juvenile offenders to
31 appropriate care or custody facilities or any other licensed juvenile
32 facility approved by the court or as may be provided by law, in those
33 counties which have juvenile detention facilities. Such
34 grants/reimbursements for juvenile transportation costs shall be made in
35 accordance with procedures and criteria developed and administered by the

1 Criminal Detention Facilities Commission.

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3 SECTION 14. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds
4 authorized by this Act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency
5 and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and
6 the restrictions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and
7 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary
8 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal
9 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by
10 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be
11 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

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

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22 SECTION 16. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and
23 permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and
24 the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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

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32 SECTION 18. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict
33 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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35 SECTION 19. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by

1 the Eightieth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of
2 Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year
3 period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1995 is essential to
4 the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are
5 provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the
6 delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1995 could work
7 irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential
8 governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist
9 and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
10 peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after
11 July 1, 1995.

12 */s/Rep. E. Thicksten*

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