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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1500

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7 For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT AMENDING ARK. CODE §§ 6-20-307 AND 6-20-313 TO SET
9 ASIDE FUNDS FOR ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE
10 PROVIDED EDUCATIONAL SERVICES THROUGH THE FLORENCE
11 CRITTENTON HOME IN LITTLE ROCK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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13 Subtitle

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15 SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE PROVIDED
16 EDUCATIONAL SERVICES THROUGH THE
17 FLORENCE CRITTENTON HOME IN LITTLE
18 ROCK."

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

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22 SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND PURPOSE. The Arkansas General
23 Assembly hereby finds and determines that Florence Crittenton Home Services,
24 Inc., located in Little Rock is a non-profit charitable organization that has
25 provided services to the state since 1903 as a residential maternity home for
26 Arkansas' unwed pregnant young women. The Home annually serves around one
27 hundred and twenty-five (125) teenage girls from throughout the state by
28 providing a comprehensive program that includes housing, counseling, medical
29 services, parenting classes, and a Career Development Center staffed by
30 personnel who hold teaching certificates issued by the Arkansas Department of
31 Education.

32 Most of the young women in residence were enrolled in an Arkansas
33 public school district prior to entering the Florence Crittenton Home in
34 Little Rock. At the present time, there is no law authorizing payment of
35 State and local public school funds to the Florence Crittenton Home for the

1 educational costs of students in residence at the Home.

2 It is the purpose of this act to provide a mechanism whereby state and
3 local public school funds can be used to pay for these educational costs and
4 help ensure that the young women in residence will have futures that include
5 meaningful jobs, self-reliance, and financial independence.

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7 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-20-313 is hereby amended by
8 adding a subsection (7) to read as follows:

9 "(7) Funds shall also be set aside sufficient to pay for the
10 educational costs of students in residence at the Florence Crittenton Home
11 Services in Little Rock."

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13 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-20-307(f) is hereby amended to
14 read as follows:

15 "(f) Expenditures included in the seventy percent (70%) requirement
16 shall include salaries paid to personnel as defined in paragraph (a) of this
17 section, social security matching for such payments, unemployment insurance
18 payments, workers' compensation, sick leave actually paid, amounts actually
19 paid substitute teachers, amounts paid to Florence Crittenton Home Services,
20 Inc., in Little Rock for services requiring instruction, and other payments
21 that are recognized as fringe benefits to certified personnel."

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23 SECTION 4. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent
24 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
25 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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

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33 SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
34 hereby repealed.

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