

1 State of Arkansas  
2 80th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 1995

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1993

4 By: *Joint Budget Committee*

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR CONTRACTS TO  
9 IMPLEMENT A TRACKING AND TREATMENT PROGRAM FOR PERSONS  
10 SUFFERING FROM MENTAL ILLNESS AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE FOR THE  
11 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH  
12 SERVICES FOR THE BIENNIAL PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1997; AND  
13 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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## Subtitle

16 "AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN  
17 SERVICES - DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH  
18 SERVICES APPROPRIATION FOR THE 1995-97  
19 BIENNIUM."

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

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23 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS - MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. There is hereby  
24 appropriated, to the Department of Human Services - Division of Mental Health  
25 Services, to be payable from the Mental Health Services Fund Account, for  
26 contracts *and associated costs* to implement a tracking and treatment program  
27 for persons suffering from mental illness and substance abuse for the  
28 biennial period ending June 30, 1997, the following:

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30 ITEM	FISCAL YEARS
31 NO.	1995-96
32 1996-97	
33 (01) CONTRACTS <i>AND ASSOCIATED COSTS</i> FOR TRACKING	
34 AND TREATMENT PROGRAM	<u>\$3,961,190</u>
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*SECTION 2. In the event that the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State determines that sufficient revenues are available or if the Chief Fiscal Officer determines it is in the best interest of the State to utilize existing resources of the Department of Human Services, the Department of Human Services - Mental Health Division is hereby authorized to expand funds for the purposes authorized in Section 1 herein.*

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

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

SECTION 5. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this

1 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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3       SECTION 7. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict  
4 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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

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*/s/Rep. E. Thicksten*

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