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A Bill

SENATE BILL 475

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 14-270-103 TO PROVIDE THAT
9 SMALL INCORPORATED TOWNS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR COMMUNITY OR
10 TOWN PROJECTS GRANTS IF THEY HAVE SUFFICIENT REVENUES IN
11 THEIR GENERAL FUNDS TO COVER ONE-HALF OF THE PROJECT COST;
12 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

15 "TO PROVIDE THAT SMALL INCORPORATED
16 TOWNS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR COMMUNITY OR TOWN
17 PROJECTS GRANTS IF THEY HAVE SUFFICIENT
18 REVENUES IN THEIR GENERAL FUNDS TO COVER
19 ONE-HALF OF THE PROJECT COST."

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

23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 14-270-103(a) is amended to read as follows:

24 "(a) From funds provided by the General Assembly therefor, the Chief
25 Fiscal Officer of the State, with the advice of the Arkansas Rural
26 Development Commission, is authorized to make grants to unincorporated
27 communities and small cities or towns in this state, whenever:

28 (1) Representatives of unincorporated communities or small cities or
29 towns in this state develop a written plan for a community, city, or town
30 project and submit the plan, in the case of an unincorporated community, to
31 the quorum court of the county or, in the case of a small city or town, to
32 the governing body of the city or town, for its approval and adoption;

33 (2) The members of the community or small city or town presenting the
34 request to the quorum court or the governing body shall have submitted proof
35 that, through donations of citizens of the community, city, or town,

1 one-fourth (1/4) of the cost of the project is available or has been pledged
2 by the citizens' support of the project and that no tax funds are included in
3 the citizens' support. The members of the community, or citizens of the city
4 or town, may also pay the county's or city's or town's one-fourth (1/4) share
5 in lieu of the county's or city's or town's defraying one-fourth (1/4) of the
6 cost of the project; provided, if a small incorporated town has sufficient
7 revenues in its general fund to cover one-half of the project costs, the town
8 shall have the option to utilize said funds as an alternative to the other
9 method set forth in this section;

10 (3) The quorum court of the county or governing body of the city or town
11 approves and, if the citizens of the community, city, or town do not pay the
12 county's or the city's or town's share, appropriates the funds to defray
13 one-fourth (1/4) of the cost of the project; and

14 (4) The facts enumerated in subdivisions (a)(1) - (3) of this section
15 are certified to the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State by the county judge of
16 the county or the mayor of the city or town, setting forth the name of the
17 person or persons who will administer the funds if the state grant is
18 approved, outlining the details of the project, and certifying that the
19 project has been determined by the quorum court of the county or governing
20 body of the city or town to be an approved community, city, or town project
21 eligible to receive funds under the provisions of this chapter."
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23 SECTION 2. 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 3. 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 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
34 hereby repealed.
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