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SENATE BILL 614

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION TO THE ARKANSAS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY FOR MATCHING FUNDS AND VARIOUS TECHNICAL AND RESEARCH PROJECTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

"AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION."

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Science and Technology Authority, to be payable from the General Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, the following:

(A) For the Centers for Applied Technology Program - Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network, the sum of \$ 665,260.

(B) For matching funds for the NASA Space Grant Consortium and student and faculty fellowships, the sum of \$ 150,000.

(C) For matching funds for the National Science Foundation Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCOR), the sum of \$ 3,000,000.

(D) For matching funds for the National Science Foundation Center for Materials Handling, the sum of \$ 600,000.

(E) For Arkansas Manufacturing Extension Network Enhancements, the sum of \$ 1,118,324.

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2 (F) For matching funds for the Department of Energy award to EPSCOR,
3 the sum of \$ 600,000.

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5 (G) For matching funds for the *Environmental Protection Agency* EPSCOR
6 program, the sum of \$ 200,000.

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8 (H) *For matching funds for expenses of the Ventures in Education Pilot*
9 *Project, the sum of \$150,000.*

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11 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor
12 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects
13 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available
14 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and
15 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and
16 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or
17 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State
18 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects
19 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds
20 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General
21 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall
22 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this Act.

23 (B) The restrictions of any applicable provisions of the State
24 Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the
25 Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal control laws of
26 this State and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and
27 Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in
28 disbursement of any funds provided by this Act unless specifically provided
29 otherwise by law.

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31 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General
32 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations
33 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for
34 which this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive
35 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget

1 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or
2 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative
3 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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5 SECTION 4. CODE. All provisions of this Act of a general and
6 permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and
7 the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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9 SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the
10 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such
11 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which
12 can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this
13 end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

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15 SECTION 6. GENERAL REPEALER. All laws and parts of laws in conflict
16 with this Act are hereby repealed.

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18 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the
19 Eightieth General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas
20 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period;
21 that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 1995 is essential to the
22 operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are
23 provided, and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session, the
24 delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 1995 could work
25 irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential
26 governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist
27 and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
28 peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after
29 July 1, 1995.

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/s/Russ

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