

1 State of Arkansas
2 80th General Assembly
3 First Extraordinary Session, 1995
4 By: Senator Russ

Call Item #13

A Bill

SENATE BILL

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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 14-164-402 TO AUTHORIZE THE
9 ISSUANCE OF REVENUE BONDS BY MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES
10 ~~FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING EXISTING CABLE TELEVISION~~
11 ~~FACILITIES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER~~
12 ~~PURPOSES."~~

13 **Subtitle**

14 "AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE BONDS
15 ~~TO FINANCE EXISTING CABLE TELEVISION~~
16 ~~FACILITIES."~~

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

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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 14-164-402(2) is amended to read as follows:
21 "(2) Capital improvements means any of the following: City or town
22 halls, courthouses, and administrative, executive, or other public offices;
23 court facilities; jails; police and sheriff stations, apparatus, and
24 facilities; firefighting facilities and apparatus; public health facilities
25 and apparatus; hospitals, nursing homes, and similar extended-care
26 facilities; facilities for nonprofit organizations engaged primarily in
27 public health, health systems support, safety, disaster relief, and related
28 activities; residential housing for low and moderate income, elderly, or
29 handicapped persons and families; parking facilities and garages; educational
30 and training facilities for public employees; auditoriums; stadiums;
31 convention, meeting, or entertainment facilities; ambulance and other
32 emergency medical service facilities; civil defense facilities; air and water
33 pollution control facilities; drainage and flood control facilities; storm
34 sewers; arts and crafts centers; museums; libraries; public parks,
35 playgrounds, or other public open space; marinas; swimming pools, tennis

1 courts, golf courses, camping facilities, gymnasiums, and other recreational
2 facilities; tourist information and assistance centers; historical, cultural,
3 natural, or folklore sites; fair and exhibition facilities; streets and
4 street lighting, alleys, sidewalks, roads, bridges, and viaducts; airports,
5 passenger or freight terminals, hangars, and related facilities; barge
6 terminals, ports, harbors, ferries, wharves, docks, and similar marine
7 services; slack water harbors, water resource facilities, waterfront
8 development facilities, and navigational facilities; public transportation
9 facilities; public water systems and related transmission and distribution
10 facilities, storage facilities, wells, impounding reservoirs, treatment
11 plants, lakes, dams, watercourses, and water rights; sewage collection
12 systems and treatment plants; maintenance and storage buildings and
13 facilities; incinerators; garbage and solid waste collection disposal,
14 compacting, and recycling facilities of every kind; gas and electric
15 generation, transmission, and distribution systems, including without
16 limiting the generality of the foregoing, hydroelectric generating
17 facilities, dams, powerhouses, and related facilities; social and
18 *rehabilitative service facilities; and facilities in existence on October 1,*
19 *1995 for the generation, transmission and distribution of cable television*
20 *programming;*"

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22 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent
23 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
24 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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26 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
27 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
28 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
29 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
30 act are declared to be severable.

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32 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
33 hereby repealed.

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35 SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the

1 General Assembly that certain municipalities in this state cannot finance
2 cable television facilities at affordable costs except through the issuance
3 of revenue bonds as authorized hereby. Therefore, an emergency is hereby
4 declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the
5 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall be in full force
6 and effect from and after its passage and approval.

7 /s/Russ

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