

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to current law.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 81st General Assembly  
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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 299

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5 By: Joint Budget Committee

## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE BALANCES OF CAPITAL  
10 IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ARKANSAS SCIENCE AND  
11 TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

14 "AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS SCIENCE AND  
15 TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY - NATIONAL SCIENCE  
16 FOUNDATION EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM TO  
17 STIMULATE COMPETITIVE RESEARCH  
18 REAPPROPRIATION."

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

22 SECTION 1. REAPPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated, to the  
23 Arkansas Science and Technology Authority, to be payable from the General  
24 Improvement Fund or its successor fund or fund accounts, for the Arkansas  
25 Science and Technology Authority - National Science Foundation Experimental  
26 Program to Stimulate Competitive Research, the following:

27 (A) Effective July 1, 1997, the balance of the appropriation provided  
28 in Item C of Section 1 of Act 676 of 1995, for the National Science Foundation  
29 Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research - EPSCOR, in a sum not  
30 to exceed ..... \$1,000,000.

32 SECTION 2. DISBURSEMENT CONTROLS. (A) No contract may be awarded nor  
33 obligations otherwise incurred in relation to the project or projects  
34 described herein in excess of the State Treasury funds actually available  
35 therefor as provided by law. Provided, however, that institutions and  
36 agencies listed herein shall have the authority to accept and use grants and

1 donations including Federal funds, and to use its unobligated cash income or  
2 funds, or both available to it, for the purpose of supplementing the State  
3 Treasury funds for financing the entire costs of the project or projects  
4 enumerated herein. Provided further, that the appropriations and funds  
5 otherwise provided by the General Assembly for Maintenance and General  
6 Operations of the agency or institutions receiving appropriation herein shall  
7 not be used for any of the purposes as appropriated in this Act.

8 (B) Any restrictions contained in the Acts enumerated in the  
9 reappropriation sections of this Act, the restrictions of any applicable  
10 provisions of the State Purchasing Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary  
11 Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law and any other applicable fiscal  
12 control laws of this State and regulations promulgated by the Department of  
13 Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied  
14 with in disbursement of any funds provided by this Act unless specifically  
15 provided otherwise by law.

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17 SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General  
18 Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations  
19 contained in this Act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which  
20 this Act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive  
21 Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget  
22 manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or  
23 summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative  
24 Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

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

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

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

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4 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is hereby found and determined by the  
5 Eighty-First General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas  
6 prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a two (2) year period; that  
7 previous General Assemblies have provided appropriations for the projects  
8 provided or enumerated in this act; that certain appropriations will expire  
9 before the adjournment of the General Assembly; and that if such  
10 appropriations expire, the projects and programs authorized herein will cease  
11 thereby depriving the citizens of the State of the benefits to be derived from  
12 such projects. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this  
13 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health  
14 and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its  
15 passage and approval.

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